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JAPAN WILL WITHDRAW TO GREAT WALL IF GUARANTEE GIVEN

H.M. THE KING TO ADDRESS THE WORLD

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WORLD CONFERENCE OPENING
TO BE RELAYED

London, To-day.

When His Majesty the King opens the World Economic Conference here on June 12, his voice will be heard all round the world. The General Post Office, by wireless telephony and telegraph, are arranging the biggest linking-up that has ever been attempted.

Foreign countries are being invited to take part in the scheme, which is being drawn up with the new International Telephony headquarters at Faraday House and the great wireless station at Rugby as focal points.

From Faraday House, all Capitals of Europe can be brought in, while via Rugby, the King's message will be carried to Sydney, Montreal, New York, Cape Town, Bombay and Cairo.

Administrations not only throughout the Empire, but in most foreign countries, will receive the speech and re-broadcast it to their nationals.—British Wireless Service.

BRITAIN TO BEAR COST
OF CONFERENCE.

London, To-day.

The extra cost of holding the World Economic Conference in London instead of at Geneva will be borne by the British Government.

Sir John Simon mentioned yesterday, that for this purpose, £18,500 has been included in the Foreign Office vote, while the cost of adapting the new Geological Museum building to accommodate the Conference, was estimated at £7,500.

When asked whether the Conference would sit continuously until its work was completed or adjourn if its task was incomplete, to allow delegates to attend the League Assembly in September, the Premier said that was, of course, a matter for the Conference itself to decide.—British Wireless Service.

MR. SOONG LEAVES
WASHINGTON.

Washington, To-day.
Mr. William Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, gave a farewell function to Mr. T. V. Soong, Chinese Minister of Finance who left New York, with other Chinese delegates, yesterday en route to London for the World Economic Conference.—Reuter.

DOMINIONS RECEIVE
ROOSEVELT SPEECH.

London, To-day.
H.M. the King has caused the text of President Roosevelt's message to be telegraphed to the Governor-Generals of all the Dominions. It was cabled simultaneously from Buckingham Palace yesterday, to Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Newfoundland, South Africa and the Irish Free State.

It is understood that the message was further considered by the Cabinet at No. 10, Downing Street, yesterday, and that the Dominion Governments are being consulted.—British Wireless Service.

Reuter.

HITLER MAY MEET DALADIER

FRANCO-GERMAN RIFT ON DISARMAMENT

GERMANY TO PERSIST IN DEMAND FOR ARMS EQUALITY

PARIS, TO-DAY.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE UNITED STATES DELEGATE TO THE DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE, MR. NORMAN DAVIS, HAS SUGGESTED A MEETING BETWEEN THE FRENCH PREMIER, M. DALADIER, AND CHANCELLOR HITLER, AT GENEVA AS THE ONLY WAY OUT OF THE THREATENED FRANCO-GERMAN IMPASSE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT M. DALADIER FAVOURS THE SUGGESTION.—REUTER.

Berlin, To-day.

It is believed that the resumption of the Disarmament negotiations at Geneva, to-day, will very quickly show that France has no intention of interpreting Germany's equality claim as Chancellor Hitler does, namely, full quantitative and qualitative equality in arms.

If so, the difficulties at the Geneva Conference appear insurmountable, for Germany has stated her last word on the matter, and no further concessions are to be expected from her.—Reuter.

Embarrassment At Geneva.

GERMANY WANTS TO HEAR
FRENCH POLICY.

Geneva, To-day.

Some embarrassment is being felt in Disarmament quarters regarding the procedure at the meeting of the General Commission, to be held to-day. The German delegates declare that Chancellor Hitler has made the German standpoint clear so it is unnecessary for Dr. Nodolny to speak, and it is now time for France to put her cards on the table.

It seems very unlikely, however, that the French delegates will be ready to speak so soon, and anyhow, no French Minister will be here to-day.

Consequently, it is expected that Captain Anthony Eden will fill the breach. Mr. Arthur Henderson, President of the General Commission, also, will probably speak.—Reuter.

France And Soviet.

NON-AGGRESSION PACT
TO BE RATIFIED.

Paris, To-day.
The French Chamber yesterday unanimously adopted a motion approving the exchange of Articles for the ratification of the Franco-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact signed in Paris on November 29, last year.

M. Herriot, former Premier, and M. Paul Boncour, Foreign Minister, spoke on behalf of the motion, 520 Deputies being present.—Reuter.

LONG - DISTANCE FLYERS FETED.

R.A.F. Pilots Guests Of
Aero Societies.

London, To-day.
Squadron-Leader Gayford and Flight-Lieutenant Nicholls were entertained yesterday by the Royal Aeronautical Society, the Royal Aero Club, the Society of British Aircraft Constructors and the Air League of the British Empire, in honour of their world's record long-range flight from Cranwell to Walvis Bay.—British Wireless Service.

Security In The Far East.

EXTENT OF ANGLO-AMERICAN
CO-OPERATION.

London, To-day.

The question of whether Anglo-American co-operation towards the establishment of security, and the improvement of economic conditions in Europe equally extends or will be extended to similar aims in the Far East was raised in the House of Commons yesterday by Captain C. C. Erskine Bost.

Replying, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald said, that until he knew what instructions regarding security the United States had given its representatives at Geneva, he could add nothing to what he said in the House of Commons on May 9.

Regarding economic conditions, that would depend on what was done at the World Economic Conference.—Reuter.

TRANSPORT POOL IN LONDON

Lord Ashfield To Head
£120,000,000 Combine.

BOARD OFFICIALS ELECTED

London, To-day.
It was announced in the House of Commons yesterday, that Lord Ashfield, Chairman of the London Traffic Combine, is to be appointed First Chairman of the London Passenger Transport Board. The appointment is for a term of seven years.

Mr. Frank Pick, present Director of the Underground Group, will be a whole time member for seven years, and Mr. John Cliff, present Assistant General Secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, and Mr. Patrick Ashley Cooper, Director of the Bank of England and of the Hudson Bay Company, will be part time members for five years.

Sir John Gilbert, Alderman of the London County Council, Sir Edward Holland, Alderman of the Surrey County Council, and Sir Henry Maybury, Chairman of the London and Home Counties Traffic Committee, will be part time members for three years.

The new pooling scheme includes every form of passenger transport within an area of about 25 miles from Charing Cross, and represents approximately £120,000,000 of invested capital.—British Wireless Service.



The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, accompanied by Miss Isabel MacDonald and a number of economic experts when he returned to Southampton from Washington after his talks with President Roosevelt on World Economics and Disarmament.—(S. & G.)

JAPAN AND U.S. WINNING IN DAVIS CUP

Nunoi Beats Littleton
Rogers

VINES AND ALLISON WIN
EASILY

London, To-day.

The United States and Japan are in commanding positions in their Davis Cup encounters against Canada and Ireland, respectively. Both countries are expected to record sweeping victories.

America will meet the Argentine in the American Inter-Zone Final, while Japan will meet Australia in the Third Round of the European Zone.

America Winning.

Montreal, To-day.
American secured a commanding position against Canada yesterday in the Final Round of the North American Zone of the Davis Cup when William Allison and Ellsworth Vines, No. 1 ranking player in the world, won their matches in straight sets.

America are favoured to win the doubles match to-day to qualify to meet the Argentine in the American Inter-Zone Final.

Scores were as follows:
W. Allison (U. S. A.) beat J. Wright 6-2, 7-5, 6-2.
E. Vines (U. S. A.) beat P. Nunn 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

Ellsworth Vines, who stood down from the match against Mexico City, replaced Clifford Sutter, in the singles.

Japan Lead 2-1.

Dublin, To-day.
Japan should enter the Second Round of the European Zone at the expense of Ireland. Yesterday E. Nunoi and Jiro Satoh played brilliantly to beat their Irish opponents in straight sets.

Scores were as follows:
E. Nunoi (Japan) beat Littleton Rogers 7-5, 6-3, 7-5.
J. Satoh (Japan) beat J. McGuire 6-3, 6-2, 6-2.

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LONDON MARKET CLOSES IRREGULAR

British Funds And German Bonds
Less Ground

London, To-day.

The Stock markets closed with some irregularity yesterday. British funds finishing under best with war loan, 3 1/2 per cent at 99 1/2.

German bonds, after an earlier recovery, also fell back.—British Wireless Service.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK IN BRITAIN

Position Stronger Than
A Year Ago.

92,000 MORE EMPLOYED

London, To-day.

The Minister for Labour, Sir Henry Betterton last night, informed the House of Commons that there were 91,000 more people in employment than a month ago and 92,000 more than a year ago.

Compared with January, the numbers in employment showed an increase of 249,000.

That meant, said Sir Henry that in the year under review, when the trade of the whole world had been paralyzed by exchange restrictions and when there had been political disturbances and monetary crises in every country, the position in Britain was not only incomparably stronger than a year ago but he thought the outlook was more encouraging than it had been for a very long time.—British Wireless Service.

END WILSON'S 'HAT TRICK'

Wins English Ladies
Golf Title

London, To-day.

Miss End Wilson (Nottingham) won the English Ladies Open Golf Championship for the third year in succession when she beat Diana Whimpton (Frinton) by 5 and 4 over the 36 holes at Glenageary yesterday.

GREAT WALL AS BOUNDARY

Proposed Border For
Manchukuo.

JAPANESE REACTION TO U.S.
PEACE SCHEME

Tokyo, To-day.

Japan is likely to approve President Roosevelt's proposal, with the reservations necessitated by abnormal conditions in neighbouring states, it is indicated in official quarters. Japan is likely to stress the necessity for forbidding provocative weapons like boycotts.

So far as crossing frontiers is concerned, it is intimated that Japan will be better able to agree if the world is prepared to recognise the Great Wall as the China-Manchukuo boundary.—Reuter.

HERTZOG - SMUTS COALITION

Favoured By Voters In
South Africa.

OVERWHELMING MAJORITY
ASSURED

Cape Town, To-day.

The counting of votes in the South African election, held yesterday, shows that so far, 105 Coalition members have been returned.

Among 10 other results known, only three Labour party candidates have been returned. Seventy-eight constituencies returned Coalition members and it is anticipated that the Coalition Government's new forces will muster 125 members. Women voted yesterday for the first time.

The election is a sequel to the formation of the Coalition Government which combines Nationalists under the leadership of General Hertzog, and the Opposition South African Party, led by Jan Smuts.

WILL RETREAT WHEN CHINESE CEASE RAIDS

Japanese Ambassador's
Statement.

NO DESIGNS ON PEKING
OR TIENTSIN

'Unless Under Provocation.'

Washington, To-day.

The Japanese Ambassador to Washington, M. Debuchi, yesterday told reporters that it was Japan's intention to withdraw the troops from North China proper, as soon as they received an assurance that they would not be harried by Chinese raids from the south of the Great Wall.

Japan has no intention of taking Peking or Tientsin unless under "provocation" from the Chinese, M. Debuchi said.

He indicated that Japan would be willing to undertake the stabilisation of the yen.—Reuter.

Possibility Of
Armistice.

NANKING GUARANTEE
WANTED.

Shanghai, To-day.

An official Japanese spokesman yesterday informed the "Shanghai Times" that though there is a possibility of a truce or armistice between the Chinese and Japanese military authorities in North China, any written armistice will be useless unless the Chinese Government can guarantee that the Chinese armies will not infringe the terms thereof.—Reuter.

No Compromise
With Japan.

MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING
POSSIBLE.

Peking, To-day.

The evening newspapers quote General Huang Fu as saying in an interview to-day "No one would think of compromising with Japan, but I believe that under certain conditions it is possible for us to reach a mutual understanding."—Reuter.

ROYAL INSPECTION OF LONDON THEATRIALS

London, To-day.
The Royal Family will inspect the London Theatre Festival, which is being held at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, to-morrow.



The WOMAN'S Page



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HUNGARIAN JEWEL GENIUS

Cellophane Beads, And Bracelets.

Paris.
Hungarian genius has appeared in Parisian smartness, for Eva Reval has discovered a way to make some very startling jewelry, using cellophane as a basis.
She makes beads and buttons, bracelets and bangles of all sorts.
Some have dull surfaces and others shiny and the objects which Eva creates are made to resemble everything in the world except what they actually are.
We've had cellophane flowers for interior decoration for some time, but the jewelry is new.
The big houses are taking quickly to the little Hungarian girl's work—she has made things for Schiaparelli and Lelong and is doing things for Vera Heller and Aileen Rice.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Tuna Cocktail
Luncheon Plate
Hot Biscuits
Gelatin Salad
Chocolate Filled Cake
Whipped Cream
Coffee
Mint Candies

Luncheon Plate.
6 slices cold boiled ham
6 slices pineapple
½ cup white cream cheese
½ teaspoon salt
2 cups cooked spinach
2 cups diced carrots, cooked
Arrange ham on serving platter, top with pineapple and make balls out of cheese and place in pineapple centres. Arrange spinach and carrots in moulds around edge. Sprinkle with salt and garnish with parsley and lemon quarters.
Chocolate Filled Cake.
2/3 cup fat
1½ cups sugar
1 cup milk

2 egg yolks
1 teaspoon vanilla
¼ teaspoon salt
2-2/3 cups flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
2 egg whites, beaten
Cream the fat and sugar. Add milk yolks, vanilla, salt, flour and baking powder. Beat two minutes. Add egg whites. Pour into two layer cake pans and bake 20 minutes in moderate oven. Add filling.

Chocolate Filling.
½ cup sugar
3 tablespoons flour
1 square chocolate
½ teaspoon salt
1 cup milk
1 egg yolk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 tablespoon butter
Blend sugar, flour, chocolate, salt and milk. Add yolk. Cook 15 minutes in double boiler. Stir frequently. Add vanilla and butter. Cool. Use as filling between two baked cake layers. Cover top layer with sugar or whipped cream.

PENINSULA HOTEL

Four Gala Nights In Empire Week.

ROSE ROOM ENTERTAINMENT.

Owing to the increasing success reported in the Rose Room by the combination of the two couples, Don and Sally and Sands & Dawn, the Management of the Peninsula Hotel have decided to retain the services of the latter up to the 22nd instant inclusive.
Sands and Dawn had to cancel their engagement in Manila in order to comply with this request and the whole quartette may certainly be pleased with the gratifying appreciation shown to them by the Hong Kong public.

The Gala Night on Saturday the 18th and also Wednesday the 17th instant, gave ample indication of the popularity of these versatile entertainers.
Next week, during the Empire Fair, the Management are having four Gala Nights commencing from the 24th to 27th instant inclusive. The time has been extended until 1 a.m. for the first three nights and 2 a.m. on the last night. During these nights both couples will appear with entirely new numbers from their extensive repertoire.
Early reservations are suggested as there is already a promise of heavy bookings for these nights.

NEW RAZOR FOR EYEBROWS.

Does Not Promote Hair Growth.

Many women find it difficult to spare time for all the various "beauty treatments" of the day. But would be rather fun to sit up in bed, under the over-the-bed light, and tidy up the eyebrows with the new little eyebrow razor that looks as if it had been designed for a doll.

This gadget keeps the brows nicely groomed without any of the painful business of plucking. The shape takes the curve of the brow, and the shaving does not promote hair growth any more than plucking does.

DRESS AND THE WOMAN

Do Clothes Express Mental Outlook.

TREND OF ROMANCE

It has been said that women are ruled by fashion, but who makes fashion in the first place? There are a few men who design gowns calculated to please women, but taken as a whole, feminine attire is the expression of the feminine mind which creates what is called fashion.

The clever, flashing Elizabethan woman, stiff with jewels, velvet, brocades, gold, perfumes, learning, music, and courage testified to the glory of her country, its wealth, power—in fact its entry into the world as a nation. Everything she wore was of the best, perfect workmanship, exquisite materials, and judging from portraits and relics, she created enormous variety of style.

The early Victorian woman is the nearest approach to the Elizabethan as far as beauty, quantity and richness of material is concerned, but her jewels were fewer because her money was in the bank, her shoulders drooped a little already, and her hats tended to hide her contented face because she was preparing the way for the pallid woman who expressed in her dress all the domestic virtues but little else. Domestic virtues are among the greatest, but unless they are tempered by others they tend to dullness in the dress and mind of womankind, and then men generally make a war.

Creature of Moods.

Looking back at the procession of feminine attire it is remarkable to notice how, after a great war, women always cast off as many clothes as decency permits, and become creatures of moods, new ideas, good and bad ideals. This throwing off of clothes is symbolic of the getting rid of old ideas. Woman's clothes, like her mind, change rapidly because new values have come into her life, and these are always concealing it discreetly but not grotesquely. She is always associated with inspiring and adventurous women of the Crusades, and the Puritan women who helped to found America are the two outstanding types of woman in womanhood, and if history is to repeat itself, it will soon be time for this woman to return. Is she already taking shape in the mind of the maiden of to-day and causing her to add a little trimming to her hat, a jaunty cape to her square shoulders? Who dares to predict the future? Anyway, scarves are here, and anything in the shape of a handkerchief heralds romance. All we have to wait for as a definite sign is the fresh flower—but how or where the romantic woman of the future will wear it is a serious problem which she will have to solve.

MASSAGE BRUSH.

A body friction brush. This provides a healthy exercise for the skin. It is made of pure bristles set in a rubber sponge and does really add to the joy of a bath.

WHITE PIQUE BIBS.

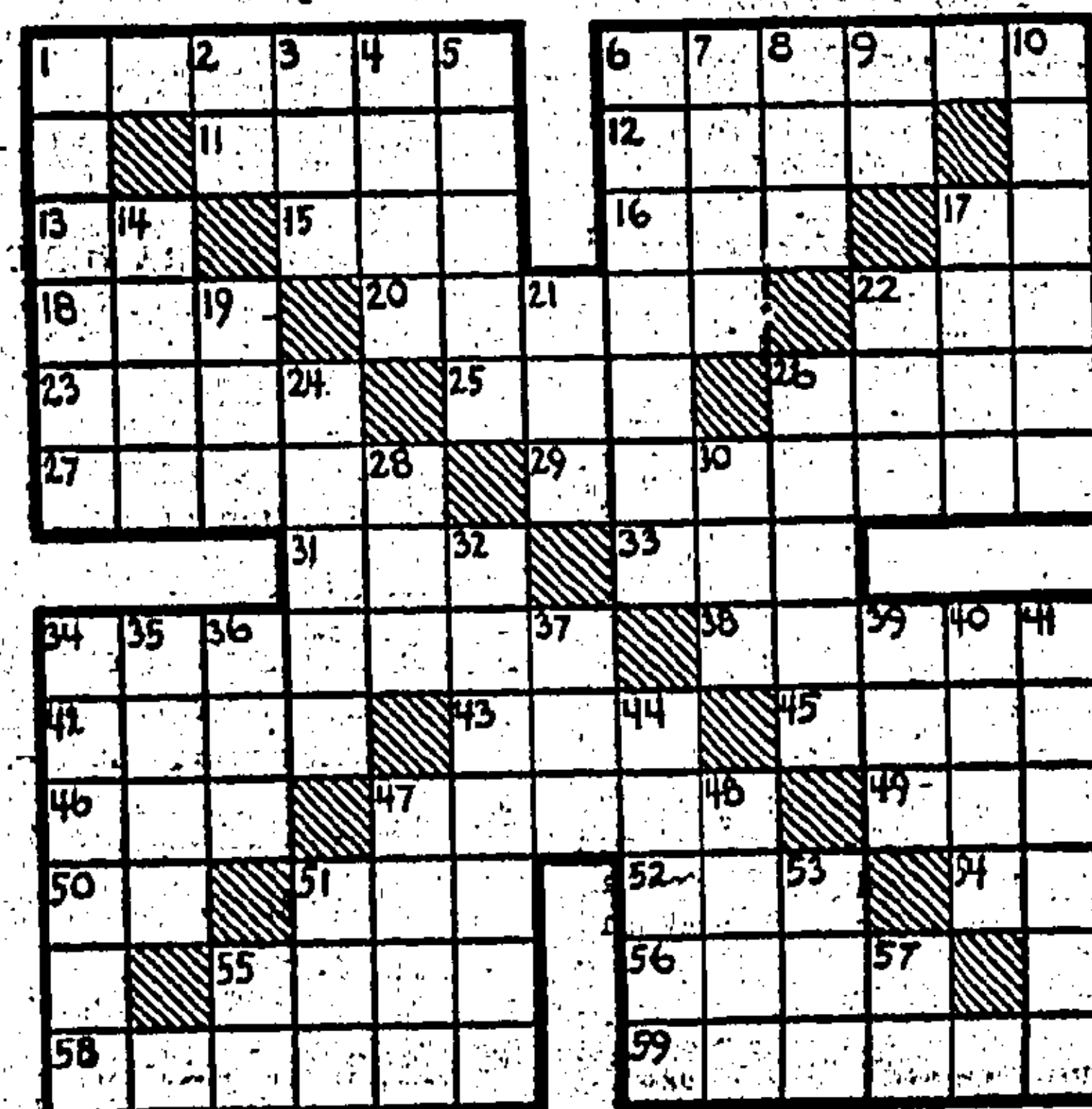
White pique bibs for summer tweed dresses are tremendously smart and tie in a rabbit-ear bow at the back of the neck.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and alibi.



HORIZONTAL

1-Consult
4-Cuts
11-River in N. France
12-A laborer (Mex.)
13-Extremely
15-Superlative suffix
16-A town
17-Need (abbr.)
18-Employ
20-Made a mistake
22-In a greater degree
23-Wing-shaped
25-Propeller
26-To fasten
27-Sacred flower of India
28-Moderates
31-Portion
32-Look
34-Moved rapidly
38-Small candle
43-Wooden spikes
45-Bow the head
46-Chop
47-A unit of work
48-An ancient Grecian character
49-A metal

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

50-Near
51-Open (Poet.)
52-Precious stone
54-Point of compass (abbr.)
55-An animal with antlers
56-Fleshy part of an animal
58-Shuns
59-A serpent (pl.)

VERTICAL

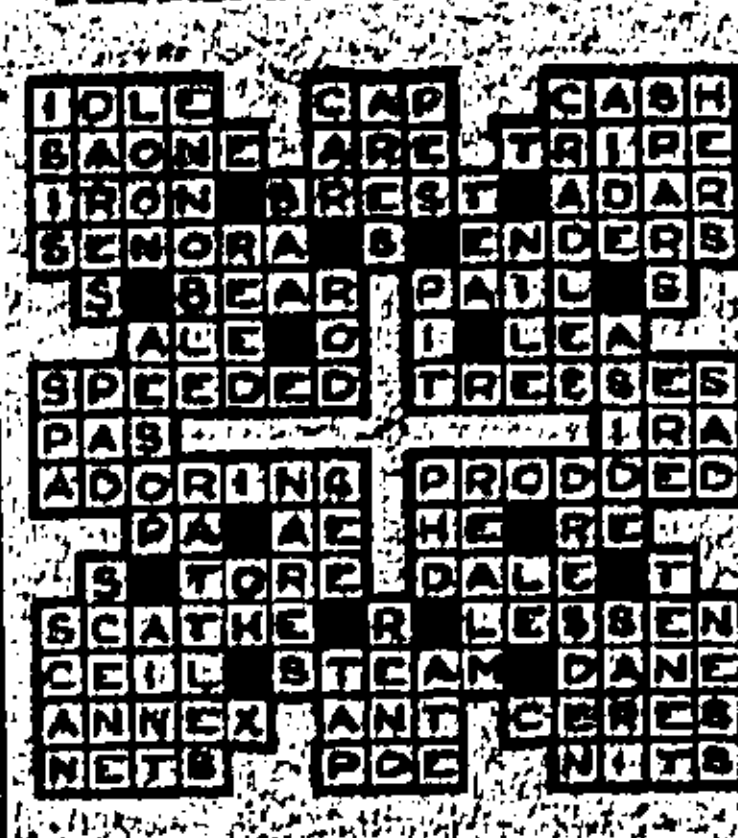
1-Occasional
2-A negative
3-An expression of impatience
4-Feminine suffix (Fr.)
5-Combining form.
6-Backward
7-Mind
8-Eternity
9-Indefinite article

VERTICAL (Cont.)

10-Low supports for the feet
14-New name of Christianity
17-How
19-Consums
21-A rodent
22-Golf mound
24-Governs
25-A javelin
28-Turf
30-Joined
32-Of
34-Rectifies
35-Saucy
36-Incites
37-Female deer
38-Small lump of butter
40-Ireland (Poet.)
41-Reclaim
44-Tenat
47-Ajar
48-Want
51-Over (Contr.)
53-Angry
58-Act
59-Tellurium (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



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BRIDGE NOTES

When To Bid One No Trump In Contract

SNATCHING VICTORY FROM STRONG OPPONENTS

DIFFICULTIES OF DEFENCE.

By **EDWARD MAYER**

THE necessary constituents of an opening bid of One No Trump have been, and still are, so little understood that its value is lost sight of through the penalties occasionally suffered by its indiscreet use.

The weak No Trump bid vulnerable, in particular, can be so heavily penalised when the partner holds no tricks and no long suit, that every artificial bidding system has rightly pointed out its inherent dangers and uselessness.

But although it may prevent a complete presentation to the partner of valuable information as to the distribution of the hand and the outstanding high cards, this knowledge is withheld no less from the opponents, who, moreover, are thereby greatly hindered from entering the play while the bidding is low, and frequently from taking part in it at all until after game has been bid and made.

The following example shows the difficulty of defending a hand in which no suits have been bid:

N:—
Spade—A, x, x
Heart—Q, J, x, x
Diamond—10, x
Club—K, 10, 9, x

W:—
Spade—J, 9, x, x
Heart—9, x, x
Diamond—K, J, x, x
Club—x, x

E:—
Spade—K, 10, x, x
Heart—10, x, x
Diamond—A, Q, x
Club—Q, x, x

S:—
Spade—Q, x
Heart—A, K, x
Diamond—9, x, x
Club—A, J, x, x

East—dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

East—No. No.
South—One No Trump. No.
West—No. No.
North—Three No Trumps.

West opened a small Spade; the trick was won by the King and a small Spade returned. On getting in with the Queen of Clubs, East again returned a Spade, being uncertain what high cards, if any, his partner held.

An opening bid of One Club by South would have marked him with the Club Ace; and so, in defending the contract of Three No Trumps, East would have been compelled on winning with the Club Queen to lead the Diamond Ace (in order to see if West called in that suit) before playing another Spade. In other words, the opening lead lost the game.

SNATCHING CONTRACT.
The advantage, therefore, of the One No Trump as opposed to other opening bids is that it not infrequently enables a contract to be made which would be defeated by adversaries in possession of more information.

But this is only one reason for making it. A far more important reason is that circumstances have rendered it advisable for a player to open, and he either has no suit or none which he wishes to, or can safely, bid.

This does not mean that he has to bid One No Trump whenever he holds two Aces and a King spread over three suits. If an absolute minimum standard of strength for

the bid is to be suggested, it must be higher than this, for the opener should be able to take more than three tricks in his own hand. He must have at least three defensive tricks if he opens in a "strong" position (namely, before his partner has spoken), because otherwise there is no purpose in his bidding at all.

In a weak position (namely, as third player) he must be prepared to take four or five tricks; but not defensively, not even at No Trumps, for he may open the bidding merely to anticipate his adversary in opening and deceive him as to the strength and nature of the hands against him.

Appreciation therefore of one's position at the table is absolutely vital to an intelligent use of the bid.

WHEN IT PAYS TO LOSE.
At Auction Bridge the standard minimum One No Trump bid consisted of three aces with no long suit, and nothing that has ever been written has disturbed this fundamental fact. But the peculiar scoring of Contract has now made it a paying proposition when not vulnerable to play a hand at One No Trump doubled, though only four tricks can be made, and thereby to lose 400 points rather than allow adversaries to make game when only the same four tricks can be taken in defence.

When vulnerable, on the contrary, it does not pay to fall in a doubled contract by as little as two tricks to save game, unless opponents have bid and will probably succeed in making a slam.

In consequence, we have two entirely different sets of values for No Trump bidding, according to whether or not we are game up, and they must be considered separately. The strength of a hand at No Trumps is based not on high cards only, but on high cards combined with one or more long suits. A hand containing four aces and four knaves with no suit that can be established can prove less useful for offensive purposes than a five-card suit headed by K, Q, J, with two outside aces.

This ever-changing value prevents any satisfactory bidding system (that is, any short-cut to clear thinking) from being devised. Hands containing no sure trick become of considerable value when it is known that no great strength is held by any particular player; and though, when fourth-in-hand, I would reluctantly throw in three bare aces through fear that my partner held no five-card suit, in the same position I would not hesitate to bid on:

Spade—K, J, 10; Heart—K, J, 10; Diamond—K, J, 9; Club—Q, J, 9, x, from the knowledge that my partner probably held one ace and that game was not therefore so very remote.

ASKING FOR INFORMATION.
A bid for One No Trump by dealer is definitely a request for further information. He states, virtually, to his partner that he has no long suit which is worth mentioning, but that he holds three tricks in defence and at least four tricks in attack.

If, for example, he has opened on three bare aces, the extra trick which he expects to make when playing the hand will be the thirteenth card of a four-suit. Usually he will hold not more than two aces, in which case it is inadvisable for him to bid One No Trump with a valueless doubleton in one of the remaining suits. This is not so much because an opponent may lie in wait for him with a long, strong suit which he will conceal, but because his partner may, either jump immediately to a game bid, having no suit to show (in which case the doubleton suit may prove to be thinly guarded and cause the contract to fall) or may bid this very suit himself and find, if he insists on playing the hand, a very adverse distribution.

There was an old rule that in a bid of No Trumps every suit should be guarded, Q, x, or J, x, x, for this purpose constituting protection. Though such rigid principles should be disregarded, it is best that the doubleton shall contain a high honour, if the hand lends itself to a No Trump bid. Examples of dealer's bids are:

1. Spade—A, K, x; Heart—K, J, x; Diamond—J, x, x, x; Club—Q, x, x.

2. Spade—10, x, x; Heart—A, x, x; Diamond—K, x, x; Club—A, Q, x, x.

3. Spade—Q, x, x, x; Heart—J, x, x, x; Diamond—A, Q, x; Club—A, x.

4. Spade—Q, x; Heart—K, 10, x, x; Diamond—K, 10, x; Club—A, J, x, x.

but not Spade—10, x, x; Heart—A, x, x; Diamond—K, x, x; Club—A, x, x, x (No bid).

Spade—x, x, x; Heart—K, Q, x, x; Diamond—K, 10, x; Club—A, J, x, x (One Heart).

Spade—Q, J, x, x; Heart—x, x, x; Diamond—A, Q, x; Club—A, x, x (One Spade).

Always avoid the bid with a singleton, even if it be an ace.

Example (1) above is a typical sound opening One No-trump. On (2) some writers advocate what they describe as an approach bid of One Club. This will be found less useful than One No-trump, as then opponents will quickly insert a bid on a five-card suit in order to secure a lead in the event of dealer's partner playing the hand. The risk of their securing a heavy penalty through a double from which there is no escape is remote, and more than counterbalanced by the advantages over a bid of One Club. In (3) the major suits are too weak to be shown, but game is very probable if either can be bid in response to One No Trump. (4) is a typical weak opening bid, preferable to One Heart as the short suit is Spades.

DANGER OF TIMIDITY.

Second player should open the bidding on hands slightly weaker than the examples above, for two reasons: (1) Because one opponent has passed, and therefore may be presumed not to hold more than two sure tricks, however powerful his distribution may be; (2) Because fourth player is always reluctant to open unless he holds either a strong defensive hand or a good five-card suit. A valuable part score may, therefore, be lost through timidity.

Good instances of minimum second-in-hand No-Trump bids can be obtained by substituting a Knave for a Queen in the examples given above, which would then be:

(a) Spade—A, K, x; Heart—K, J, x; Diamond—J, x, x, x; Club—J, x, x.

(b) Spade—10, x, x; Heart—A, x, x; Diamond—K, x, x; Club—A, J, x.

(c) Spade—Q, x, x, x; Heart—J, x, x, x; Diamond—A, J, x; Club—A, x.

(d) Spade—J, x; Heart—K, 10, x, x; Diamond—K, 10, x; Club—A, J, x, x.

In bidding a suit when dealer or second player, you must place more value on high cards than on distribution, because you do not know until the auction is closed whether you are going to play the hand in attack or defence, and in opening you must be prepared for either event. If when third player, after two passes, you have a poor hand with a good major suit, such as K, Q, J, 9, x, x, you bid that suit in order to secure a lead in the probable event of the opponents playing the hand and to convey the impression that you are not, defensively, trickless.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

12.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor & Brunswick records.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc.
2 p.m.—Close Down.
2.30-7 p.m.—Chinese recorded programme.

7.10-8 p.m.—European programme.
7 p.m.—(Closing Local Stock Quotations).

7.25 p.m.—Instrumental.
Piano Solo—
Searf Dance (Chaminade).
Hans Barth 20346.

Violin Solo—
Caprice Antique (Balogh-Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler 1093.

Piano Solo—
Spinning Song (Wagner-Liszt).
Ignace Jan Paderewski 1549.

Cello Solo—
Intermezzo (Vivaldi).
Pablo Casals 1542.

Piano Solo—
The Flatterer (Chaminade).
Hans Barth 20346.

Violin Solo—
Legend of the Canyon (Caldman).
Fritz Kreisler 1093.

Cello Solo—
Serenata Napoletana (Sgambati).
Pablo Casals 1542.

7.25-8.15 p.m.—Variety.
8 p.m.—(Local Time & Weather Report).

Vocal Trio—
Dream Sweetheart.
The Pickens Sisters 22976.

Orchestral—
Jazz Nocturne.
Victor Concert Orch. 24028.

Song—
Louise.
Maurice Chevalier (Baritone) 21918.

Saxophone Solo—
Bebe.
Jimmy Dorsey 6352.

Vocal Duet—
Sometimes I'm Happy.
Louise Groody & Charles King 20609.

Organ Solo—
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Jesse Crawford 21951.

Vocal Trio—
Laid, You Made the Night Too Long.
The Pickens Sisters 22976.

Orchestral—
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Victor Concert Orch. 24028.

Song—
Walt "If You See 'Ma Cherie'".
Maurice Chevalier (Baritone) 21918.

Saxophone Solo—
Codies of Noodles.
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Hallelujah!
The Revelers 20609.

Organ Solo—
Jesse Crawford 21951.

8.15-9 p.m.—Orchestral.
Unrequited Love (Lince).
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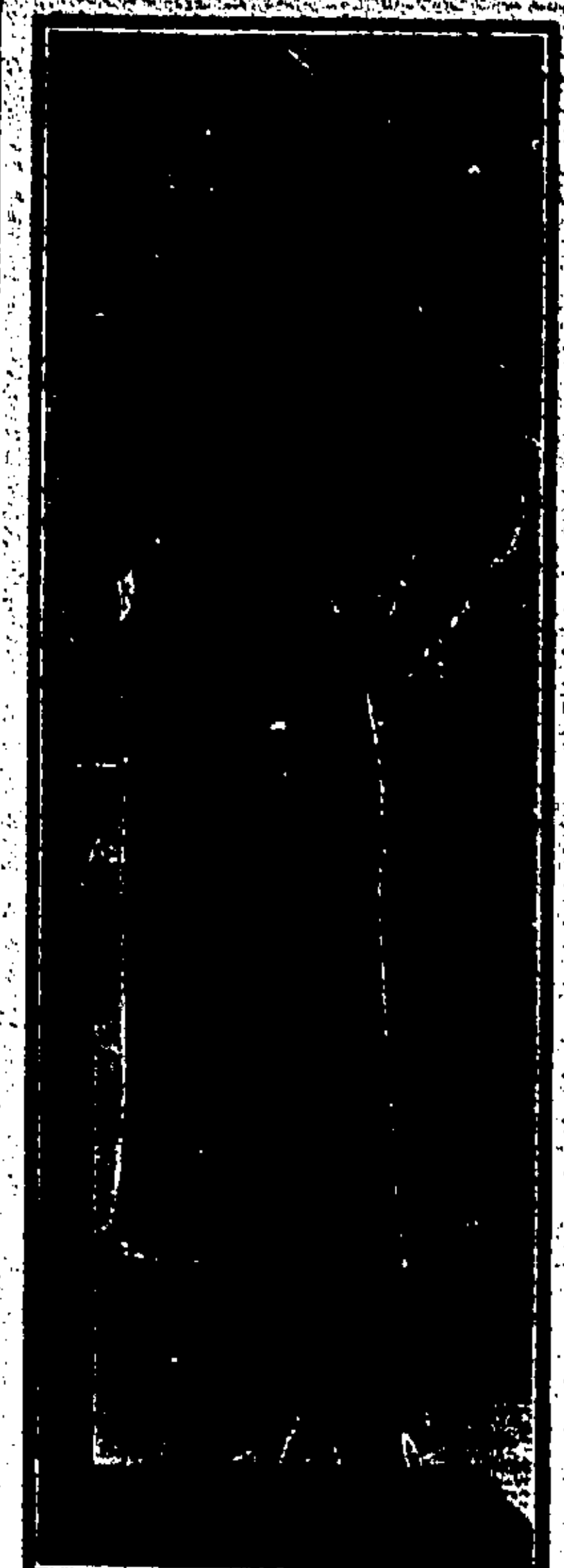
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March Weber & His Orch. V-50028.
Echoes from the Volga (Ritter).
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9-9.15 p.m.—From the Studio.
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(b) When the Buds are Blossoming ("Ruddigore"—Sullivan).
Mrs. G. F. Mathison accompanied by Mr. F. Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L.

3. Songs—
(a) The Sentry's Song ("Iolanthe"—Sullivan).
(b) When Britain Really Ruled the Waves ("Iolanthe—Sullivan).
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4. Vocal Duets—
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5. Piano Solo—
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6. Songs—
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I have never envied a comedian. Like the policeman—"His lot is not a happy one." He is always expected to be funny in a big way, the life and soul of the party so to speak. "When is a comedian not a comedian?" I asked after meeting Messrs. Wheeler and Woolsey. "When they are off the screen," is the answer.

Our latest film stars from Hollywood are not funny. Bert Wheeler is to use a theatrical expression—but the "Feeder" in the comedies, and one does not expect him to be witty and humorous.

Mr. Woolsey looks like a jockey. He twirled the famous cigar (which I doubt if he ever smokes), but his remarks have not contained one line of true wit.

WHAT a difference in the other two famous comedians. Charles Chaplin does not attempt to amuse onlookers. When he is in the mood at a party, and honours the guests with his "charades," you can be sure of a riotous evening.

Will Rogers? Ah! there is another whose type comes but seldom! I remember years ago that famous English comedian, Arthur Roberts. He used to keep a room full of people roaring with laughter. And I can never forget the evenings at the Eccentric Club with George Robey, and George Mozart.

Cecily Courtneidge told me that after being married to Jack Hulbert for nineteen years, he can still make her laugh at breakfast. There you have REAL comedians.

I met Harold Lloyd in Hollywood, and I don't think he could say, or do, a funny action. Bill Haines, Marie Dressler, Polly Moran, Jimmy Durante, Eddie Cantor! There again you have people with the most natural sense of humour.

I always think the GAG writers deserve the real kudos in Wheeler and Woolsey comedies. Admitted they deliver the goods. They achieve their object and make the world laugh. So I will say no more. In "Hold 'Em Jail," they have the enormous help of another natural comedienne—Edna May Oliver, who plays the forbidding Aunt for all it's worth.

There is too much footage given to the football game, but the impossible, crazy, gags, will cause the kids to go into fits of laughter. If you are a Wheeler-Woolsey "fan" you will no doubt be highly amused with the offering at the Central.

"The Night of June 13."

"The Night of June 13th" is a picture that is different. Stephen Roberts the director has made his characters live before our eyes. You may think it drags a little at the opening, but it made it all the more human for me. Life, after all is not one continual bustle. Each part is perfectly acted.

The two who have the best opportunities, are Mary Boland and Charles Grapewin, and they give of their best. Clive Brook, Adrienne Allen, Lila Lee, Frances Dee, Gene Raymond, Charles Ruggles, with others, contribute bits that make the story intensely interesting.

The Court-room scene is specially absorbing. Breezy with new ideas, and a new plot, this film, wherein the action concerns the events that happen in an average everyday neighbourhood, will certainly hold one's interest from beginning to end. Strongly advised. (Queen's).

In her new contract with Fox, Clara Bow is allowed a choice of stories. After seeing her comeback picture—"Call her Savage," I am left bewildered. Tiffany Thayer should be ashamed to sign his well-known name to it, and Miss Bow was badly advised.

I do say this candidly. Clara Bow is worth seeing. She has lost none of her amazing personality. She is as vital, magnetic, scintillating, sexy and beautiful as of old. In this most absurd plot, she still manages a personal triumph. Monroe Owsley is the best of the support. As the King's Theatre ad here to limiting the cast to just six names, you may ask who was the

wooden actor (if you can call him such), who portrayed her last lover. Anthony Jowitt, Englishman—and amateurish to the nth degree!

The others in the cast have but a few lines apiece, and hardly matter. Unless Miss Bow chooses more sensible stories, she will lose her hosts of admirers. From her earliest days I have been a Bow "Rooter," but there is a limit, and I want to see this great little actress in parts more worthy of her. (King's).

"Letty Lynton."

"Letty Lynton" is a film that I wonder was allowed to pass Will Hays. Letting a girl get away with murder, while the D.A. smiles at her and her rich husband and gives his blessings! Not too good for morals! Joan Crawford, Robert Montgomery, and Nils Asther, struggle with the story.

This is followed by the one picture made by the world-famous singer, John McCormack—"Song O' My Heart." To hear him sing "I hear you calling me," is worth the visit.

Then Ramon Novarro and Madge Evans, in a pretty story "Huddle." M.G.M. put her in a Soccer jersey, and he plays England's football game, so this should please the Star patrons. (Star).

When I first saw an unknown man play a small part in "Dance Fools Dance," I wrote in these columns that a new star had risen; this man was worth watching! Clark Gable was the name. The female stars at M.G.M. rushed him to co-star, with the result that he was miscast in many plays like "Strange Interlude," and "Polly of the Circus."

Now in "Red Dust," he is back in his element, and we have the actor the world has acclaimed. In Jean Harlow, the wise-cracking little "Sadie Thompson" with the heart of gold, he has found an ideal partner.

It was during the making of this picture, that a great tragedy came into this young girl's life (the suicide of Paul Bern, her husband), but, game little trouper that she is, she continued and came through with a swell performance.

Mary Astor, as the bride, is delightful, and Gene Raymond makes the most of the colourless husband. Life on a rubber plantation! Red dust! Coolies! heat and rain! The story is hokum, with all the formula, scenario writers think necessary, for thrills, drama, and laughter, plus first-class acting.

THIS is a picture NOT to be missed. (Queen's).

"A Passport to Hell."

In "A Passport to Hell," we have another picture which shows people's morals in the tropics (according to novel writers). Ellsina Landi makes a rather routine part into an authentic characterisation, full of dignity and beauty.

Paul Lukas, Warner Oland and Alexander Kirkland contribute splendid support. The plot is familiar, but the ending is out of the ordinary, and the acting from all concerned makes this Fox feature worth seeing. (King's).

"Men of Chance."

"Men of Chance" a smooth snappy story that moves along at a brisk pace. A woman betrays her gambler husband. All the excitement of the race-track, with grand acting from one of the best—Ricardo Cortez, an actor who could not turn in anything but super work. John Halliday and Mary Astor.

Followed by Zasu Pitts, the girl with the pathetic eyes and roving hands, aided by Slim Summerville in "They Just Had to Get Married." More of this later! Coming to the Central.

Beautiful photography, strict adherence to the native customs of Japan, and sensitive acting from the star, Sylvia Sydney, makes the revival of "Madame Butterfly," a lovely first-class production. She makes the pathetic little Gaki so human and makes the part of the

incredibly innocent little Japanese wife, who waits patiently for her Naval Officer husband. "Lieutenant Pickerton, the Whole-works," to return "When the robins nest again."

The technical difficulties of the language are cleverly surmounted. The settings are perfect in detail, making the whole performance charming from every angle. Except for the small boy, we have an all-Occidental cast in all-Oriental setting.

Cary Grant (an English actor), plays at the 'delightful love game' without too much seriousness. I was a little amused when he sang his ditty, "Little Flower of Old Japan," into the towering hair structure of his Japanese sweetie.

Baby Phillip is adorable. The amah (Suzuki), is cleverly played. Charles Ruggles has little opportunity to be funny. And we are treated to some of the glorious music by Puccini as a background.

This film ran for a record two weeks in Canton, and should please all nationalities. It follows the play more than the opera, but the ending comes on the same tragic note. DON'T miss this one at the Queen's.

"Jack's The Boy."

"Jack's the Boy," from the story by Jack Hulbert and Douglas Furber, with direction by Walter Forde; this Gainsborough film is extremely good, light-hearted, entertainment.

The infectious gaiety of Hulbert and his wife Cicely Courtneidge, with grand support from pretty Winifred Shotter, Francis Lister, Peter Gawthorne, Ben Field to mention a few, will assure an evening well spent.

There is a slight tendency to prolong some of the situations, and at times the gags are left without much point (fault of the direction). The ladder mix-up, the adventures in Tussauds, the dances ingeniously arranged by Hdbert, some catchy music, an outstanding song by Miss Courtneidge, Jack's clowning, fooling, and above all dancing—makes me grateful that the British studios have such a talented pair as the two stars. Strongly advised (King's).

Coming shortly to the King's the answer Fox made to M.G.M. An all-star cast in a most human story "State Fair." Will Rogers, Janet Gaynor, Sally Eilers, Norman Foster, Lew Ayres, Louise Dresser, and Frank Chaven, among others. Colourful, restful, refreshing, the novel has been almost faithfully followed. A rare treat for the film fans. (King's).

I'M TELLING YOU.

We wondered if M.G.M. would ever repeat an all-star cast like "Grand Hotel." So far the artists chosen to appear in "Dinner at Eight," are Marie Dressler, John and Lionel Barrymore, Wallace Beery, are Marie Dressler, Jean Harlow, Clark Gable and Lee Tracy. Will any other studio beat this line-up of stars?

Lovell Sherman is directing Katherine Hepburn in "Morning Glory."

Greta Garbo has shipped on a cargo boat as "John Emerson," and is returning to L.A. via the Panama Canal. On her last trip she was pestered for the entire five days by curiosity mongers, and they even sent reporters specially to spy.

Clara Bow is genuinely in love with her husband Bex Bell. At present she is resting on their ranch, ridding herself of the surplus weight she put on during her European jaunt.

Jesse Lasky views with alarm the trouser-craze, and has written to others heads of Studios, asking that they engage only actresses who are feminine in their wearing apparel.

Noel Coward's new play, "Design for Living," in which the actor-author is appearing with Lynn Fontaine, and Alfred Lunt, has been rejected by Lubitch as "not film material."

Katherine Hepburn and John Barrymore will co-star in "The Longest Father" for Radio.

Ruth Chatterton-Brent is lying ill in Madrid.

Betty Blythe and Alice Joyce have both filed bankruptcy petitions. Miss Joyce will shortly marry the highest paid director in film—Clarence Brown, so what she has done is hardly surprising. Betty Blythe and her husband "run" a small orange plantation.

Erich von Stroheim's ill-fated "Walking Down Broadway," which was scrapped, will be re-filmed as "Hello Sister."

"The Prince of Wales" in C.B. film is now being shown in London. Edna Middleton's "accomplish" the picture with a running comment. This is an authentic record of the life of H.B.H.

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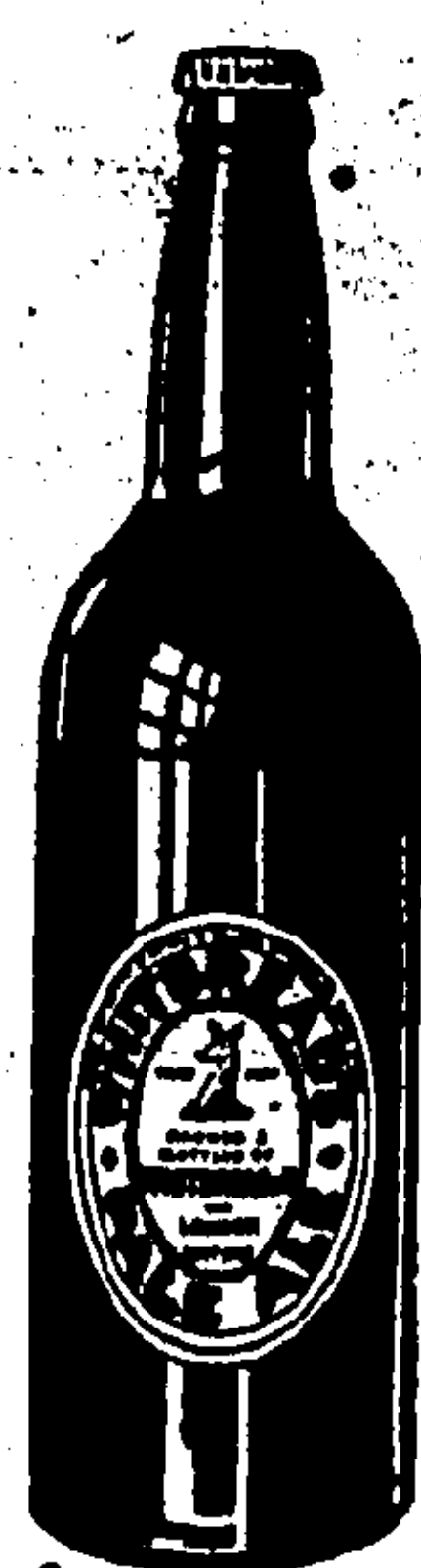
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Friday, May 19, 1933.

Repeal Favoured In America.

The first formal vote for ratification of the Twenty-first Amendment, repealing the Eighteenth, was cast in Michigan where a decisive repealist majority was recorded. Within the next twelve months the question of repeal will be referred to the electorate of thirteen additional States. In eleven others measures providing for a popular vote have been adopted and in thirteen similar legislation is pending. In the movement toward a popular resolution of this long-standing question it is significant that several Southern States have already taken action. Arkansas will hold an election on July 18, Tennessee on July 20 and Alabama about the middle of the same month. Moving to set the convention machinery going does not necessarily mean an affirmative decision. But at least the Legislatures of these States are cognizant of a desire on the public's part to express an opinion on the question. Moreover, it is fair to assume that action taken in several instances to legalize the manufacture and sale of beer is an indication of popular dissatisfaction with a narrow interpretation of the Eighteenth Amendment. Measures of this sort have been adopted in North Carolina and Louisiana, and bills for the same purpose have been favorably reported in Alabama, Texas and South Carolina. It is one of the widely accepted dogmas of the prohibition movement that the South had voted itself dry even before the enactment of the Eighteenth Amendment. The basis for this assumption is the fact that a number of States south of the Mason and Dixon line had set up State-wide laws for the control of alcoholic liquor. But in most cases these laws were far more flexible than the hard-and-fast system of prohibition later established by the Eighteenth Amendment. Mississippi, Tennessee and West Virginia, traditionally listed as dry States, permitted the manufacture of wine for personal use. North Carolina legalized the importation of one quart of spirits or five gallons of beer every fifteen days. In South Carolina the legal limit was one quart of liquor every thirty days, on the condition that the importer had the same is desired for medicinal

purposes." The Virginia law provided that once a month "one quart of distilled spirits or three gallons of beer or one gallon of wine may be brought to any person not a student at a university, college or any other school, nor a minor, nor a female (not the head of a family) for his own use." In short, the pattern of prohibition legislation in the South was not uniform, but according to local variations in customs and standards. Each State dealt with the problem of intoxicating liquor as it saw fit. East would retain the same privilege under the Twenty-first Amendment.

"Erica."

Almost a millennium ago Eric the Red, sailing westward from Iceland in search of a land which had been sighted a little time before by another Norwegian, reached the east coast of Greenland, sailed past its southernmost point and then northward along the west coast, where he built this home and his primitive fortress at the northern threshold of the New World. He gave Greenland with all its frigid wastes a good name not only because its fjords and pastures and teeming rivers gave him welcome in his exile but because "people would like the better to come there." The pioneer colonies which were then established perished in their isolation and not till some centuries later (1721) was a rediscovery and settlement made under another Norwegian. But two hundred years after the rediscovery, by reason of untoward circumstances, nothing was left to Norway of all that vast area except a comparatively short coastline at the east which has borne the name of Eric the Red (Eirik Raude's Land). And now as a result of the decision of the Permanent Court of International Justice, to which the claim was submitted for amicable settlement, even that remaining narrow strip becomes of a piece with the rest of Greenland under the sovereignty of Denmark. There were tears in the eyes of Norway when the award was announced, but in her quiet acceptance another step has been taken in the road toward the ideal which is in the hearts of the nations. King Haakon's hope for "good collaboration" in Scandinavia is enlarged to embrace the earth in its disputes. It would be a glorious act on Denmark's part to cherish the memory of Eric in Greenland and to keep his name on the coast which he was the first of the sons of the Old World to set foot upon. "Erica," remembering both Eric the Red and Eric the discoverer of Vinland, who was Eric's son, should have a permanent place in this world's maps.

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

Unrewarded Genius.
Richard Trevithick, the centenary of whose death occurred recently, was one of those geniuses who have been far more honoured since their death than they were in life.

If you stand by the tomb of the Unknown Warrior in Westminster Abbey you may see a window to Trevithick's memory, in which are shown a tramway locomotive, a Cornish pumping engine, a steam dredger, and a railway locomotive. In Dartford Church, is a bronze plaque to his memory.

Untimely Revolution.

It was at Dartford that the Father of the Locomotive Engine died, in debt to his innkeeper, and unhonoured save by a number of mechanics who clubbed together to bury him.

Yet Trevithick very nearly died a rich man. He supplied a number of engines for the silver mines in Peru, and was promised a handsome share of the increased output of the precious metal.

But the inevitable South American revolution took place, and the insurgents threw his engines down the shafts.

Trevithick was left penniless, and was glad to escape with his life.

Novelist's Fortunes.

Few English novelists, even the most popular, have left large fortunes, and in this respect Mr. John Galsworthy's £38,000 takes a high place. In literary circles, however, many people expected his will to be proved at a higher figure, not only because of his great success as a novelist and playwright, but also because he was not entirely dependent on his writings for a living.

With the outstanding exception of Sir Hall Caine, who left a quarter of a million sterling, no English novelist has left more than £100,000.

Indeed, only one or two have exceeded the £30,000 of Charles Dickens, who was entirely dependent on his own efforts.

Your Daily Smile

EVOLUTION.

"He's on the stock market."
"On the curb?"
"He was on the curb, but now he's in the gutter."

THE FUGITIVE.

"Where are you hurrying to?"
"I am running to try to stop a quarrel between a married couple."
"That's good of you. Who are they?"
"I am one of them."

OH! OH! OH!

"My dear, this book is a remarkable work. Nature is marvellous! Stupendous! When I read a book like this, it makes me think how insignificant is man."
"A woman doesn't have to read through 100 pages of a book to find that out."

PERFECTLY CERTAIN.

"How do you know I'll let you marry my daughter?"
"My mother's been talking to your wife, sir."

QUESTIONABLE VINTAGE.

"This is real pre-war stuff!"
"You don't mean to say there is going to be another war?"

Facts You Did Not Know.

The number of radio broadcasts in Norway has been increased to 13.

Research by a Japanese scientist has indicated that earthquakes drive certain species of fish to feeding grounds and cause them to take baited hooks more freely.

To help direct his course in parachute jumps an aviator has invented a propeller that is strapped to his body and operated by air-ribs that pull cords over a pulley.

The radiator of a streamlined airplane designed in Germany is shaped "into a concave air scoop merging at the sides into wheel boxes which form in place of fenders."

\$1,000,000,000 SAVED IN 25 YEARS

**LABORATORY "TOYS"
MADE FORTUNES**

ACCIDENT AIDS PROGRESS

(By Horace Thorogood.)

We are seeing a great many toys just now. Shop windows glow with their gay colours. Pretty, perishable things, so soon to be broken and thrown away!

Yet some toys there are for which a better fate is reserved than a season's vogue and then oblivion. Learned men play with them in the privacy of laboratories; but they are toys just the same—until they suddenly give up a secret of Nature that the wise men have been trying to find out in other ways. Then they cease to be toys, and become important factors in great industries, providing thousands of men with employment.

Sir Frank Smith, secretary of the Department of Industrial Research, spoke recently of the photo-electric cell. Twenty years ago, he said, it was "a mere toy of the laboratory." To-day it plays a vital part in talking pictures, in burglar alarms, in the lighting systems of large stores, in cigarette factories, where it arranges cigarettes in rows with the imprinted name uppermost, in the packing of cigars, which it selects by the colour of the outside leaf, in controlling the magnitude of electric currents, and in television.

A toy! The chemists use it for little laboratory jobs, smiling at its mysterious intelligence.

The example of the photo-electric cell could be multiplied considerably. Tungsten was "a laboratory toy" for a hundred years before it was extensively used in industry. Two young men in a Continental laboratory isolated metallic tungsten about 1780. It was a result of pure research, and no importance was attached to it. There it was. How interesting!

But a century later Langmuir, studying combinations of gases with incandescent tungsten, opened the way to the invention of the gas-filled tungsten lamp, which has saved the world, scientists calculate, \$1,000,000,000 in 25 years. Aluminum was another "laboratory toy," and that within easy memory of many of us. I myself recall being shown by a chemistry master a small piece of it, about the size of a shilling, as a curiosity. Thirty years before that it was exhibited as a scientific oddity in Paris. To-day it is difficult to imagine the world without aluminium.

Chemists' Hopes.

But meanwhile, beryllium is a laboratory product which is in much the same position as aluminium was in its "curiosity" days. Nobody knows how to prepare it cheaply. But it holds on the metallurgists who are trying to produce it in a pure condition the confident hope of discovering new strong alloys even lighter than aluminium.

The entire huge synthetic resin industry is founded upon coal-tar by-products of the laboratory which, for many years, chemists, unable to put them to any use, threw away as rubbish, until Bakeland came along and investigated their formation. The hydrogen-ion apparatus, now the basis of the control of acidity in jam-making, dye-works, canning and many other industries, was purely a "laboratory thing" originally.

A whole book might be written on the part, often ludicrous, which accident has played in opening new doors of knowledge and exposing rich new kingdoms for the conquest of industry.

Very often it has been while searching for something else that valuable discoveries have been made. That was the case with Perkin. He stumbled on the secret of making synthetic dyes while trying to make quinine.

Accident "Paid."

The whole of the synthetic indigo industry as it exists to-day is the result of an accident. The Germans were using a method which involved oxidising naphthalene. It was a long, unsatisfactory process. Then one day in the ordinary vessel broke, and the naphthalene in the course of it, the thermometer in the bulb dropped into the contents. The naphthalene was oxidised, and the product was synthetic indigo.

formed much more quickly and in better yield, and investigation revealed that the presence of a very small amount of mercury immensely hastened the reaction.

The discovery that anti-febrin was good for headaches had its origin in a queer way. The existence of anti-febrin was well known, but it had never been connected with headaches until one day a doctor sent his laboratory boy out to get the chemical which he used for this complaint, and the boy brought back the anti-febrin bottle by mistake.

The error was discovered too late: the patient had taken the wrong medicine. But his rapid recovery was a surprise to the doctor, and the clue was followed, with beneficent results to aching heads ever since.

Cheese Aids Progress!

Much more ridiculous was the manner in which an important fact about electroplating came to light.

The workmen in a certain works were sitting one day over their bread and cheese lunch, and a practical joker took advantage of the momentary absence of one of his mates to throw the latter's lump of cheese into the vat.

What the man said when he came back is not recorded, but on rumouring work it was found that the electroplating process had somehow given a very much better coating than had hitherto been obtained. Investigation followed, and the beneficial effect of the introduction of an organic chemical was established, with revolutionary results—all due to a joke with a chunk of cheese.

Yet another accident. Chemists were trying a method of protecting aluminium against corrosion. It succeeded; but incidentally it was found that the protective coating obtained could be coloured by the same method. Hence the presence on the market to-day of all sorts of prettily-coloured trinkets and other articles in aluminium. Coloured aluminium is now used for shop-fronts and it is in contemplation to cover whole house-fronts with it.

Grown-up Toys.

It would, of course, be foolish to rely on lucky accidents like these to improve and speed up industry. Deliberate investigation into chemical problems such as is carried on by Sir Frank Smith's Department of Industrial Research, at the Universities, and in the laboratories of the great industries themselves is the main source, and must remain so, of discovery.

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Personal Paragraphs

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Evans were among the passengers returning to the Colony on the s.s. Carthage to-day.

Col. F. P. Noworthy, D.S.O., M.C., accompanied by Mrs. Noworthy, returned to the Colony this morning on the s.s. Carthage, from Shanghai.

Dr. H. Gatchalian, of the Chinese General Hospital, Manila, arrived in the Colony this morning, by the s.s. President Taft, on a vacation trip. He is accompanied by Mrs. Gatchalian.

Sir Peter Grain, who recently retired from the position of Chief Justice in H.B.M. Court, Shanghai, arrived in the Colony this morning on the s.s. Carthage. He is en route to England.

Mr. Charles H. Lewis, secretary of the Hloplo branch of the Y.M.C.A., accompanied by Mrs. Lewis and their infant daughter, arrived in the Colony this morning, by the s.s. President Taft, on their way to Shanghai.

Mr. G. M. Butcher, Far Eastern manager for Charles A. Schlerer & Co., of New York, arrived in the Colony, by the s.s. President Taft, this morning, from Manila. He is remaining in the Colony for a few days on business.

SPANIARD WITHOUT A PASSPORT

Problem for Court.

BROTHER OF LOCAL HOTEL MANAGER

Jose del Pan, a Spanish subject, and brother of the manager of the Station Hotel, Kowloon, appeared before Mr. Wynne Jones, at the Central Magistracy, this morning charged with being in the Colony without a valid passport.

Mr. W. P. Thompson, Asst. Dir. Criminal Intelligence, prosecuting, stated that some correspondence had passed between the Straits and Hong Kong Governments, regarding the prisoner, and the Hong Kong Government had stated that he was not wanted in the Colony. In spite of this, defendant had arrived here on May 6.

Defendant had an expired Spanish passport, and a letter produced in Court, written by the Spanish Vice-Consul in Singapore, a Britisher, stated that the Vice-Consul was not empowered to grant passports. The prisoner could not even have his passport renewed in Hong Kong. The nearest place to Hong Kong, where this could be done was Bombay.

Defendant was born in the Philippine Islands, and the United States Government, were willing to allow him to return there if he was not in a destitute condition. He had a wife in Singapore, and had no work.

Defendant's brother had refused to sign a bond, guaranteeing his good behaviour, and was unwilling to appear in Court in connection with the case.

Mr. Thompson, in pressing for a conviction, stated that it was desired to define the attitude of the Government in the case. He said that it was rather difficult to know where to send the defendant. He could be sent back to Singapore, since he had just come from there, but he would be arrested immediately on landing, for not having a passport.

His Worship convicted the prisoner, but remanded the prisoner for 24 hours, on bail of \$10, stating that he desired to see the prisoner's brother in Court, to-morrow.

"If he does not come," said His Worship, "I will send a warrant for him."

ARMY WEDDING.

Miss G. E. Thacker And Major A. C. Jebb.

A wedding of special interest to Army circles was solemnised at the Peak Church yesterday afternoon between Miss G. E. Thacker and Major A. C. Jebb, R. A. M. C. The Rev. Lewis Byran conducted the ceremony.

The bride, who is a new arrival in the Colony, looked charming in a dress of white crepe-de-chine and lace, with a large white picture hat, her bouquet being of pink and white carnations. Mrs. E. F. W. Grellier was the Matron of honour and looked very smart in a flowered voile of gold and brown.

A reception was subsequently held at the Gloucester, a large number of friends being present. Major and Mrs. Jebb will reside at the Peak Hotel on their return from their honeymoon, which is being spent at Fanling.

BREACHES OF OPIUM ORDINANCE.

Stiff Fines Imposed.

Ng Hing, a tailor, was fined \$50 or four weeks hard labour, for being in possession of non Government prepared opium, and \$150, or seven weeks hard labour, for keeping an opium den at 31, Aberdeen Street, ground floor, by Mr. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Kwai Heung, of 25, Wing Fung Street, was fined \$20, or 10 days hard labour for being in possession of non-Government prepared opium, and \$100, or five weeks hard labour, for keeping an opium den, by Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning.

TOWN BECOMES A VILLAGE.

A royal edict issued from Belgrade has declared the small Danube town of Kilevac (Yugoslavia) to be henceforth a village.

This change takes place not as a punishment for misdeeds, but at the request of the inhabitants. They declared that they could not afford the heavy dues that fell upon them as town dwellers.—Bentar.

Correspondence.

SHOOTING OF DOGS

(To the Editor, "China Mail.") Sir,—Recently I read in your paper of the great expansion of our Police force, increase in personnel, new stations, new instructors, new uniforms, new motor cars, new motor cycles, new medals to decorate the manly bosoms of the force, and now new shot guns and all the facilities of a big game hunt, except that the animal is the domestic dog.

Ye Gods what an achievement, what a thrilling experience to write home from the wilds of China, where the great body of guardians of the law take their life in their hands day in and day out in this lovely outpost of our Great Empire. If the question was not so serious it would be very amusing; poor old doggie, for long the friend of man now the sport of men.

FAIRPLAY.

ADING EASTERN MOTORISTS

Malaya And Hong Kong Exchange Facilities.

The Reciprocal Agreement recently entered into by the Hong Kong Automobile Association and the Automobile Association of Malaya forms another link in the chain of Associations which work for the best conditions for motoring and provide assistance and facilities for motorists practically throughout the world. These agreements enable a member of one Association to make use of the benefits and assistance of an Allied Association with no trouble and little or no additional expense.

A motorist from Hong Kong visiting the Straits Settlements, Federated Malay States and the Unfederated Malay States, is now entitled for a period of one month without payment of subscription or fee to all the motoring and legal privileges enjoyed by the A. A. M. ordinary members. Should a longer stay be contemplated the same facilities are at his disposal for six months at an inclusive fee of \$5 (Straits). On the other hand a motorist from Malaya who is a member of the A.A.M. may visit Hong Kong and enjoy the facilities provided by our organization on the same terms.

This Association has now become so international in character that the former difficulties of motoring have largely disappeared and the modern motorist sometimes fails to appreciate the enormous amount of work involved in order to provide him with the high class standards and comforts of motoring which he enjoys. All he needs to do is to take his letters of introduction from the local Hon. Secretary and he has at his disposal the ready and willing service of the motoring organization of the country he wishes to visit.

OPIUM HAUL AT SHEK O.

17. Tins Found Buried In The Sand.

Inspector Logan, made a statement in Police Court, this morning, before Mr. Schofield, regarding a seizure of opium which he had made, on Wednesday night.

He stated that the opium had been dug up out of the sand, at a beach between Big Wave Bay and Shek O at 6 p.m., on May 17. It had been buried in 17 tins, contained in three sacks, and amounted to 3,600 taels. The opium had been taken to Shaikwan Police Station, where it had been locked up and sealed.

A confiscation order was made by His Worship.

STARTING TIMES FOR FANLING

Sunday's Pairings.

The following are the starting times for Fanling on Sunday:

9.32 a.m.	W. H. E. Thomas, D.A.
9.38	Weatherbe.
9.44	H. N. Williamson, H. Bailey
9.44	A. T. Lay, H. C. Hopkins
9.44	H. S. Forster, R. S. Johnson
9.48	H. N. Cochrane, W. J. Hume
9.52	H. G. Campbell
9.58	G. Angus, J. M. Wilson
10.00	E. C. Webb, G. T. May
10.04	W. Mulcahy, R. A. Rodgers
10.08	J. P. McDermott, G. V. Atkins

PITTSBURGH AND YANKEES WIN

Johnson & Schumacher Blank Opposition

INDIANS BEAT SENATORS

New York, To-day.

Pittsburgh Pirates and New York Yankees are still heading their respective leagues.

Yesterday the Pirates, aided by a fourbagger from Paul Waner, routed the Phillies, while the Yankees, world champions, overcame the Tigers.

Cleveland Indians and Washington Senators, who are running neck and neck in the American League, had to play to ten innings before the Indians turned the tables on their rivals by a 6 to 5 win.

Results as cabled by Reuters were as follow:

National League.				
	R.	H.	E.	
Boston	0	1	0	
Johnson pitched.				
Cincinnati	1	6	0	
Brooklyn	14	13	0	
St. Louis	5	8	2	
New York	3	9	0	
Mancus hit a homer.				
Chicago	0	6	1	
Schumacher pitched.				

New York	1	8	
Melville Ott hit a homer.			
Chicago	10	15	
Herman, Hartnett, Hendrick and Koenig hit homers.			
Philadelphia	2	6	
Pittsburgh	6	15	
Paul Waner hit homer.			

American League.				
	R.	H.	E.	
Chicago	1	6	1	
Philadelphia	9	15	2	
Williams hit a homer.				
Cleveland	6	8		
Vosmik hit a homer.				
Washington	5	9	2	
Game went to 10 innings.				

Detroit	1	5	2
New York	5	6	0
Sewell hit a homer.			
St. Louis	8	8	0
Kelillo hit a homer.			
Boston	2	6	0

TABLES TO DATE.

National League.				
	W.	L.	Per.	
Pittsburgh	19	8	.703	
Boston	14	17	.666	
New York	16	10	.615	
Brooklyn	14	11	.560	
Cincinnati	14	13	.518	
St. Louis	14	15	.482	
Chicago	12	18	.400	
Philadelphia	10	19	.344	
American League.				
	W.	L.	Per.	
New York	17	9	.653	
Washington	18	12	.600	
Cleveland	18	12	.600	
Chicago	15	12	.555	
Philadelphia	12	14	.461	
Detroit	11	16	.407	
St. Louis	12	18	.400	
Boston	8	18	.307	

"SUNDAY HERALD" CHARITY CUP.

\$3,828 Distributed To Deserving Causes.

The following donations from an aggregate total of \$3,828.20 have been made by the Hong Kong Football Association from the Sunday Herald International Charity Cup Competition, won by China from England:

H.K. Benevolent Society	700.00
St. John Ambulance Brigade	600.00
Mission to Seamen	800.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	600.00
Soldiers & Sailors Home	300.00
Home for the Aged	300.00
Home for the Blind (Kowloon)	200.00
Mission to Lepers	200.00
General Charities Organization	178.20
Home for Blind Girls (Kowloon)	100.00
Government Civil Hospital	50.00
Xmas Tree Fund	50.00
	\$3,828.20

WEATHER FORECAST

Monsoon South winds, fair to showery, with the weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory, Hong Kong, is as follows:

To-Day's Short Story.

THINGS HIDDEN

By B. O. Byass.

It lacked a few minutes to midnight. There was no sign of a taxi in Brook-street. The rain blew into our faces as we splashed along the pavement. I was about to suggest to Tony that we turned into Claridge's when I bumped against a figure huddled in the shadow of a projecting buttress.

"Sorry," I said; "this dam blizzard—"

The figure emerged from its shelter—a tattered individual with a broken bowler hat pressed firmly upon his ears. We both stopped. There was something curious about Tony nor at me, but all the time towards a lighted window on the first floor of a house on the opposite side of the street, in front of which were five or six cars.

"There's queer goin's-on up a-there," he said. "Up a-where?" said Tony. He stretched out a grimy hand and pointed to the window.

"Up a-there," he said. "I been a-watchin' 'em for two hour or more."

As he lowered his arm a woman's scream rang out from the house; shadows fitted across the drawn blinds, and then there was silence again.

"It's a party," said Tony; "here, let's slip into this porch. No fun in getting soaked."

The man followed us into the shelter of the porch and accepted one of my cigarettes.

"That nor it 'aint," he said. "I tells yer I seed bodies carried out a that there house—two on 'em."

"Then it is a party," said Tony. Suddenly the windows went dark; more screams rang out and a man's voice was heard giving some sort of orders. Then silence.

"This is beginnin' to interest me," said Tony.

"Fun and games," I said, "that's all. Mayfair's killing time."

"Killin' the word," said our friend, "them bodies was real stiff 'uns. I tell yer, gents, there's been murder done up a-there and more nor one."

FILM COMEDIANS MOBBED

Visiting Stars At The Central.

WOOLSEY CIGAR SOUVENIRS

Wheeler and Woolsey attended the 930 showing of their picture, "Hold 'Em Jail," last night. When the public learned that the two comedians were to be present, there was a rush for seats and all accommodation was sold by noon yesterday.

A large crowd waited outside the theatre and on the appearance of the two visitors they were mobbed by eager fans and autograph hunters.

The pair were unable to move for some time, and it required the services of the Police to extricate them.

Both of the popular comedians raised their hats to the crowd, and Woolsey gave a typical flourish to his Habana. It is said that Woolsey has given away more half-consumed cigars, as souvenirs, than he has smoked.

CHEUNG CHAU NOTES.

Island Prepares For Summer Visitors.

Cheung Chau, May 18. The end of the Island theatrical season is now drawing near; the last performance being on Sunday next. The party dismantled makeshift near the Fishermen's Temple has been re-hatched and the plays will commence to-morrow. No special farries will be run in connection with the performances.

Last Sunday a large party of Chinese youths and girls visited the island for a bathing picnic.

It is proposed to hold a Baptism ceremony on May 23, in connection with the Pious Mission.

Visitors will soon be invading the island and the paths are being repaired in readiness.

The afforestation bodies are also busy trimming and pruning the trees.

The extended ferry service to Hong Kong is proving a boon, and many are taking advantage of the improved facility.

The window lit up again and at that same moment, the front door opened. A hatless man and a woman in a fur coat ran out to one of the cars. The woman threw herself into the front seat and shouted something that sounded like "ambulance."

The man's face was caught for a second by the side lights of his car as he hurried round to the driving seat. It looked pale and frenzied. Before the rear light had disappeared more people had emerged. All seemed to be in a hurry and all were talking in low tones. I caught the words "hospital" and "police" and again "ambulance."

An element of panic underlay the whole proceeding, panic and furtive secrecy. Soon the last car had crept away and the street was silent again save for the swish of the blown rain.

Then a gloomy voice: "There'll be more bodies up a-there, see if there ain't."

"What about it, Byran?"

"What about what?" I said. "Seeing if there ain't."

"You don't mean to say you think there's really been foul play?"

"Oh, no," said Tony. "I just don't want to go home, that's all."

"It's after midnight," I said. "Safest gate-crashing time: come on." I saw him press something that crackled into the hands of the ragged watcher before I followed him across the sodden, shining street.

"TO-MORROW'S STORY."

To-morrow's story will be "The Chairmender," by Guy De Maupassant.

"I wonder," said Tony, "how long he'll wait down a-there."

"Until our bodies are carried out, I suppose," I said, shivering as the rain hit me in the face again.

The front door had been left open. A dim light high in the ceiling of the deserted hall showed a wide staircase at the far end. We lay our wet hats and coats across an oak table, and approached the stairs.

"Isn't this rather impertinent?" I whispered. One had to whisper in this house. It was cold and stiff like death.

Tony didn't answer. Our feet made no sound on the thick carpet. The first floor lobby was better lighted. A door on the left was ajar. It obviously belonged to the front room which overlooked the street. Tony pushed it open and we walked in. A tall standard lamp in a far corner behind a grand piano was the only illumination save for a bright fire in the grate. The room was warm and intimate in contrast to the hall below. There was a pungent scent of Turkish cigarettes. A partially drawn curtain failed to conceal another room where a meal had just been eaten. A litter of used plates, crumbs, and empty bottles covered the polished table. Two blue candles, still burning, probably exaggerated the untidy appearance.

Tony struck a match and looked under the table.

"No bodies, so far," he said.

"Why not switch on the light?"

"Yes, why not?" he said. But he didn't.

Was he frightened of what he might discover? Was he now regretting our decision to intrude upon the premises of a strange house which exuded the dead and the frenzied living? I felt a longing come over me for the wet streets and the wind again. I said:

"We can't do much here. Then with an assumption of gaiety: 'The party's over, evidently.'"

He let the way back to the living room and stood with his back to the fire.

"I'm going to dry my trousers first. Can't understand this. The screams are easily accounted for. Spot of slap and tickle going on. But why the hurried exit the while?"

"There are other rooms in the house," I said.

"Meaning?"

"In the best houses the bodies are usually swept up and removed from the drawing-room."

"Oh, quite. He'll 'a cigarette. The question is, does a gate-crashing ticket give us the run of the whole place? It generally only allows one the freedom of the dining-room, drawing-room, and bathroom."

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MEN'S SHOES

JUST RECEIVED.

NEW STYLES IN MEN'S

BROWN SUEDE

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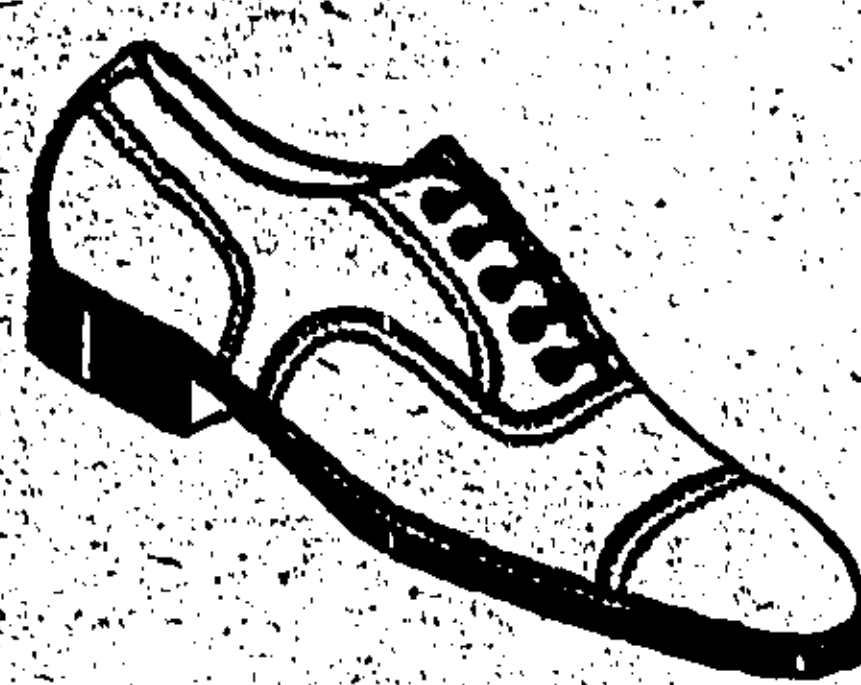
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CRICKET COUNTIES

YORKSHIRE THE CHAMPIONS

Loss Of "Hat Trick"
Medium Bowler

JUDICIOUS MIXTURE OF YOUTH
AND EXPERIENCE

(By White Willow.)

London, Apr. 21. A fortnight had still to pass before the cricket season begins for Yorkshire—they open at Oxford against the University on May 3—but already there is great activity on the seven grounds of the county.

The majority of the team who won the championship last summer are getting into trim at the nets with an enthusiasm which suggests further triumphs to come. Sutcliffe, Leyland, Verity, and Bowes, of course, are not due to return from the M.C.C. tour of Australia and New Zealand until the first week in May.

Mr. A. B. Sellers will again lead the side, and he has taken up his duties in a spirit of justifiable confidence. Yorkshire have been champions seven times in the last fourteen seasons, and twice in the last two years, so that they have every right to believe that they can maintain their reputation not only as the best county, but as the biggest gate-drawing eleven in the land.

Loss of Fisher. Only one 1932 player will be missing. This is H. Fisher, the left-hand medium bowler, who joined the side for the 'eight concluding matches, and straightway did the "hat-trick." As I was able to state before the season ended, Fisher's engagement with a Lancashire League club will prevent him from continuing at present. Perhaps it is because of this, and also because A. C. Rhodes, another of last year's newcomers, has not yet fulfilled his early promise, that the secretary writes: "A permanent successor to Emmott Robinson has still to be found."

That even without "Old Emmott" Yorkshire were good enough to finish the tournament with as many as 53 points, ahead of Sussex is a tribute to their team spirit, which carried them triumphantly through many difficulties—recall how Wood, the wicket-keeper, saved the side more than once with his bat—that might have been too much for a team of mere individualists.

Half their secret has been the judicious mixture of experience and youthfulness, and the recovery of Percy Holmes from the disablement that kept him out of the field all too long makes it possible for the happy blend to be restored. Holmes had a batting average of 47.30, and everybody hopes that he and the indomitable Sutcliffe will continue as the opening pair for seasons to come.

Bowes' Bumpers. The bowling of Bowes will be followed this summer with special interest. Bowes may be said to have been the other half of their championship-winning secret, for he struck many knockout blows with his famous "bumpers," and it is safe to predict that whatever feeling may show itself against "body-line" bowling this summer.

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and probably cause the exploitation of the leg-theory in county cricket to be curbed, the unique attack of Bowes will not be affected. Bowes does not depend for his success on a ring of leg-side fieldsmen. Verity's power increases with every season he plays, and he may confidently be expected to do even better than last summer, when, against Nottingham, he accomplished for the second time in his career the stupendous feat of taking all ten wickets in an innings—for only 10 runs! His fine batsmanship in Australia was no surprise to Yorkshiremen.

Macaulay's skill with the ball has not failed—he took 84 wickets in first-class matches—and he is sure to play a considerable part again.

So will Mitchell and Barber with the bat and in the field. Barber exactly completed his thousand runs in the last match of the season. Leyland's great form against the Australians will doubtless be maintained at home.

Decrease in Membership. A surprising feature of Yorkshire cricket in recent years has been that membership subscriptions have decreased each season since 1926. The continued slump and an abnormal number of wet days last May, partly explain the latest decrease, and as more than 5,000 members still remain on the county books there is no official depression.

The new stand at Headingley has cost the club £5,000 of the total liability, and it will be completed in the time for the first county match. George Hirst, the veteran all-rounder, may be seen busily coaching young players during the present month—150 will pass through his hands—and later in the season he will visit various districts and give instruction to local schoolboys. Hirst has also given instruction in the art of coaching to students from Leeds University and Leeds Training College.

Yorkshire commenced their season by drawing with Oxford, and losing to Cambridge in friendly games before beating Derbyshire in a low scoring championship game at Hull.

The champions are now playing Essex at Dewsbury in the County Championship.

CHOCOLATE FAVOURITE FOR TO-NIGHT'S TITLE BOUT.

Seaman Watson's Challenge For Feather Crown.

New York, May 10. Kid Chocolate, the Cuban world featherweight boxing champion, is in perfect trim for his title bout with Seaman Watson, the British contender, on Friday.

The bout is being staged at the Madison Square Garden and will be over 15 rounds.—United Press.

"Y" POLO TEAM BEAT CHUNG SING

Inexperienced Seven Overwhelmed.

(By CRAWL.)

A scratch European Y. M. C. A. water polo team last night defeated a team from the Chung Sing Benevolent Society in the former's pool by 6 goals to nil.

The "Y" team, which included Schreuder, Kerr and Lange, were too heavy for the diminutive Chung Sing players, who, however, put up a very hard fight and were only beaten because of their lack of practice and experience.

Kerr opened the scoring in the first minutes of the game following a swim up. Two minutes later he added his second from the right wing, scoring with a powerful backhand.

So Tin-mo, the Chung Sing's centre forward went very near, following Kerr's second goal, when he broke away on the left to hit the cross-bar. Schreuder, who was playing in goal for the "Y", completely missing the ball.

R. Goldman the "Y's" centre forward, put his team three goals ahead, when he scored with a first-time back hand which took Tong Shiu-fai completely by surprise.

Changing over with a three goal lead, the "Y" went further ahead when Kerr converted with a back flip.

The Chung Sing forwards made vain attempts to score, but, in spite of many opportunities, were a trifle slow in getting the ball away, thus ultimately losing their scoring chances.

Chadderton added the "Y's" fifth with an excellent shot which entered the top right corner. Just before the final whistle Goldman added his second and the "Y's" sixth when he swam through from a pass from Ralston.

Chung Sing Ben. Society:—Tong Shiu-fai; Lam Shiu-so and Ip Sham-chung; Poon Ping-man; Chung Wai-kwong, So Tin-mo and Kong Chik-chow.

Y.M.C.A.:—W. Schreuder; H. Lange and K. Jenner; E.W. Ralston; W. Kerr; R. Goldman and C. Chadderton.

Referee—E. F. Bell.

ELLIS CHALKS UP 62 BREAK

JARMAN REGISTERS 60 AND 52 UNFINISHED

ENGINEERS WIN IN GARRISON BILLIARDS LEAGUE

(By Spot Ball.)

THE Borderers and Lincolns are still running neck and neck in the Garrison Billiards League. Both teams easily won their games last night, the Borderers, the Champions, defeating the Medical Corps by 464 points, and the Lincolns recording a 200 points triumph against the Artillery.

In the other game played last night, the Royal Engineers, who were runners-up last year, defeated the Small Units by 203 points. This was the Suppers' second win.

HIGH scoring featured the match between the Borderers and the R.A.M.C., L/Cpl. Ellis, chalking up the highest break of the tournament to date—a polished 62 C/Sgt. Jarman, runner-up to A. J. Osmund in the Colony Championship, recorded breaks of 60, and 52 (unfinished).

Borderers	R.A.M.C.
C/Sgt. Jarman 150	S/Sgt. Green 36
L/Cpl. Ellis 150	Sgt. Lane 56
Pte. Clapp 131	Pte. Kirkham 150
Pte. Williams 150	Pte. Parry 57
Pte. Walters 150	Pte. Smith 90
Drmr. Matthias 150	Pte. Hall 26
881	417

THE highest break in the match between the Lincolns and the Artillery was chalked up by Pte. Abbott, who, aided by an all-round break of 35, beat Sgt. Wood by 41 points. Other goods breaks were recorded by L/Sgt. James (26), Sgt. Beeston (26) and Sgt. Green (24).

Lt. King made his initial appearance for the Lincolns last night, and, after an exciting game, was unfortunate to lose his game by 27 points.

Lincolns	Royal Artillery
Lt. G. H. King 123	Sgt. Beeston 150
L/Sgt. James 150	Bdr. Maddison 89
Sgt. Green 150	Sgt. Farr 47
L/Cpl. Maltby 150	Bdr. Combey 80
L/pl. Herriott 102	Mr. Gr. Pine 109
Pte. Abbott 150	Sgt. Wood 109
825	625

THE Royal Engineers won four of their six games against the Small Units, winning ultimately by 203 points.

L/Cpl. Greenhill, who recorded the highest break of the encounter—28—was beaten by S/Sgt. Clarke, who chalked up a 24, by 16 points. S.M. Floyd (25), Dr. Gray (25) and Pte. Funnell (24) registered useful breaks, all three, except Gray, winning by comfortable margins.

Royal Engineers	Small Units
L/Cpl. Greenhill 134	S/Sgt. Clarke 150
Sgt. Buckle 113	Pte. Funnell 150
Sgt. Hollingsworth 150	Pte. O'Connor 81
S.M. Floyd 150	Dr. Gray 96
Spr. Whittaker 150	Pte. Smith 109
Lt. Regan 150	Cpl. Troy 59
847	645

TABLE TO DATE.

South Wales Borderers (Holders)	6	6	0	12
Lincolns	6	6	0	12
Royal Artillery	5	4	2	8
Royal Engineers	6	2	4	4
Royal Army Medical Corps	6	0	6	0
Small Units	6	0	6	0

NEWS IN BRIEF

W. With entered the Semi-Final Round of the Junior Championship of the K.C.C. yesterday when he beat A. E. Mackay by 6-1, 2-6, 10-8.

Wirth, one of the few left-handed players in the Colony, will meet R. B. Hambly for right of entry into the Final.

E. V. Gubert (scr.) qualified to meet M. E. Potts (3-4) in the Semi-Final Round of the Handicap "B" Singles at the K. C. C. when he defeated G. Leverett (scr.) 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.

The winner will meet R. S. V. Capell (—15) in the Final.

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The Chinese Hailing Club are opening their swimming season this week-end with a Night 'let' on Sunday commencing at 7.30 p.m. at North Point.

An invitation team race of 200 metres will be the feature of the evening's programme.

Arrangements are in hand for a friendly water polo game between the European Y.M.C.A. and the South China Athletic Association in the former's pool next Thursday.

WEEK-END AQUATIC GALAS

The secretary of the league, Mr. A. Dobbs, is to give the Bartholm goalkeeper a special medal in recognition of his heroism.

The Royal Navy beat the Royal Air Force by 3 goals to 1 in the Inter-Services Soccer championship in England.

By winning this game the Navy retain the Services' championship which they have held since 1927.

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Table tennis has taken Paris by storm. Four thousand spectators and gamblers of cafe (cafe waiters) recently participated in a tournament, the final of which was witnessed by 1,000 spectators.

The game was almost unbroken for a few months ago but now it has been replaced by a new game called 'table tennis' which is played on a small table with a net in the middle.

The committee of the Warrackville Cricket Club announce that the professional and amateur players will be held in a special reduced price to help the club through its financial difficulties.

At the annual meeting held at the club on the 15th inst. the following resolutions were passed:—Resolved that the annual meeting be held on the 15th inst. next.

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WRESTLER'S MISTAKE PROVES DISCONCERTING

Punch From Referee Puts Him Out For 5 Minutes

Perth, Australia, May 9. Wrestlers should learn boxing too, if they want to pick quarrels with the referee. Just in case John Saville's wrestler, in a recent at the referee's continual interference during a bout here, lost the official's shirt off his shoulders.

The referee was George Thompson, ex-heavyweight boxing champion of Australia. He chased Saville round the ring and landed a left hook to the chin.

Saville took nearly five minutes to recover.—Associated Press.

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THINGS HIDDEN

(Continued from page 7.)

"I suggest," I said, "that when you have dried your trousers we get out of here as quickly and as unobtrusively as we can. If there's been foul play we're better out of it, and if there hasn't we're not interested."

"But why was the front door left open?"

"Careless guests, obviously."

"Very careless. So careless that they forgot their manners enough to run away from the party."

He bent forward and peered into the dining-room. "And not a bad party either. Lanson '20. Well! Well! Well!"

"Honestly," I said, "What's your theory?"

"That a large whisky and soda would complete the good work begun by this fire."

"Oh, my dears," said a voice from the door.

We swung round. A little lady in a grey dress seemed to appear out of nowhere. She hid a sweet grave, rather lined face, surrounded by grey hair. I put her age at about 55, though she walked slowly like an older woman.

"You know it's all in the dining-room," she said, "and you must help yourselves. How clever of you!"

"I always play when I'm frightened; do you mind?"

"I don't know what Tony felt like. Personally, I wanted to sink through the floor."

"Do play," said Tony.

"And do drink," she said. She began to play "Valse Triste" quietly, with a delicate touch. She had slim, lovely fingers and no rings. She didn't look in the least scared. Tony disappeared into the next room. I heard the faint noise of a siphon being used. Presently he returned with two pretty potent-looking mixtures.

"Get outside this," he whispered, "and tell me if that beautiful picture is real."

The grey lady finished the valse and half-turned towards us.

"I'm better now." Again she smiled. "It's nice to be quiet again after all that—screaming. Do you think me very inhuman?"

"I think," said Tony, "you're lovely." Somehow Tony can say these things.

"You mustn't tease me," she said. "Tell me, how did you discover my secrets so soon? I thought I'd been so clever."

"We didn't," said Tony. "We weren't clever enough. Were we?"

"No," I said, "no, not half clever enough." I didn't know what the devil they were driving at.

"So you came back? How did you dare?"

"To be quiet and to hear you play," said Tony, "please play some more."

"I'm not frightened now," said the grey lady. "You won't tell anybody about me, will you—that I'm frightened? You see, I've never told anybody before. But I thought you had been so quick and so clever discovering everything that you must have discovered that, too. What shall I play?"

"La Boheme," said Tony. She smiled and turned back to the piano.

With the first notes, the certainty that I was dreaming became so fixed that I did, honestly, pinch

myself. The house, the conversation, the music, all combined to create so unreal an atmosphere that had a door not slammed downstairs, I really think that I should have lost consciousness of any world outside.

She stopped playing abruptly. From below came shouts and laughter. Outside there was a sound of cars pulling up.

"It's all over now," said the grey lady, shutting the piano.

The girls, followed by two men, burst into the room. On seeing Tony and myself they pulled up short.

"Cads," said one of the girls. "Lindy, they've beaten us to it. She addressed Tony: 'Darling, how did you get the last one?'"

Nobody waited for an answer. They all hurled varying epithets of abuse at us. We were, I gathered, "too, too devastating," and after "they had sweated round half London and nearly died."

How on earth had we solved the "stretcher" clue? And so on, and so on. Thank God they didn't seem to require answers to their questions.

Soon the room filled up. As each fresh "darling" came up, we were pointed out as the cads who had "won it easily, my dear—been here hours," until—please believe me—without any conceit, I was terrified lest someone would realize that we hadn't been in the original party at all. But they didn't. Insignificance can be a blessing, though I've wondered since how Tony took it.

The grey lady was still standing by the piano as we pushed our way through the breathless mob that was now satisfying its thirst.

"Thank you so much," said Tony, "for having us."

Slightly surprised considering our intrusion, I echoed his sentiments.

She gave us her sweet smile. "Do you know," she said, "I quite often give parties for my niece, but this is the first time anyone's ever thanked me. Will you come again? Don't say 'yes' now or you may regret it and disappear."

This is also the first time I've ever asked anyone again. They come, you see, without invitation." She held out her hands for a few seconds, and then we crept out.

We didn't speak until a taxi crawling from the direction of Davies-street, came into sight. Then Tony said:

"None of the hunters found the real Treasure, did they?"

"She must have known we weren't there at the beginning, of course."

"No. Oh, no," said Tony. "Didn't you see? She was stone blind."

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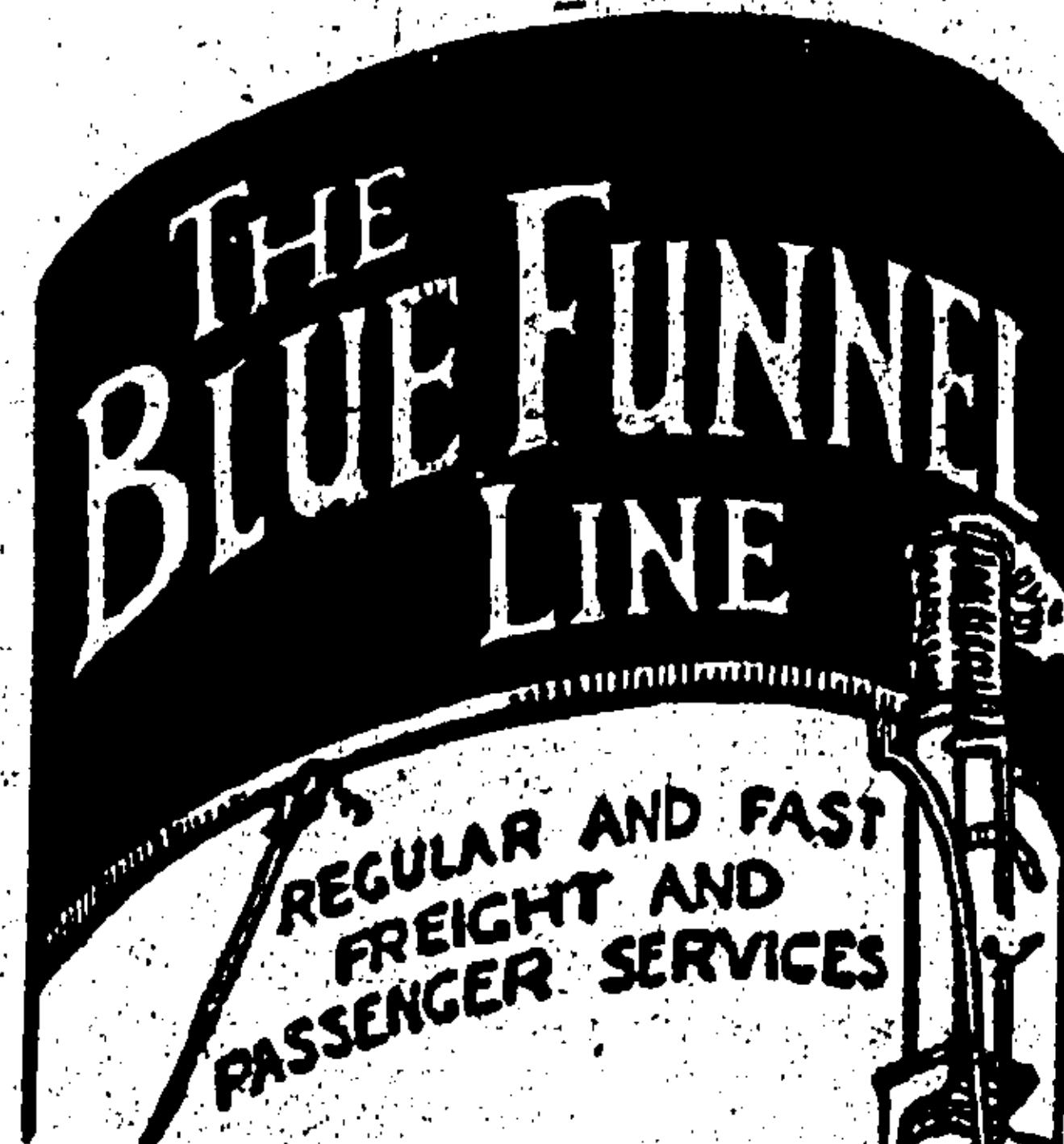
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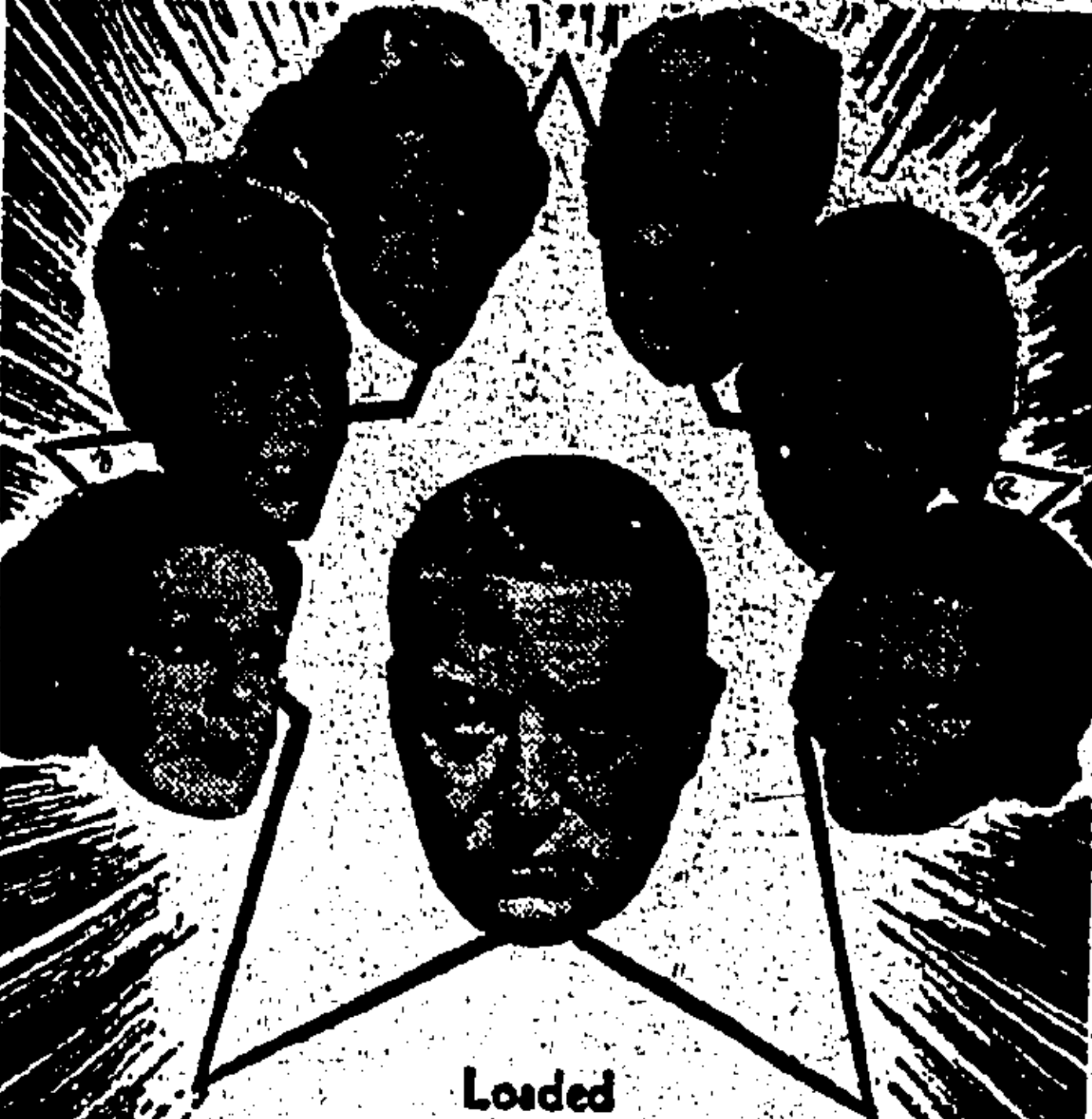
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SILVER SOLD ON WALL STREET
Market Steady Under Test.
TAX PROPOSAL CAUSES SELLING WAVE
New York, To-day.
Silver ruled irregular and sensitive in New York yesterday, speculators, commission houses and the trade continuing selling.
The general tone of the market was fair, and business was brisk, 4,110,000 shares changing hands. In their daily report, Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company, through their local correspondents, Messrs. Asia Land, Ltd., state:—
"The tax proposal submitted to the House Committee by the Director of Budgets, caused a flood of selling. This market test was exceedingly well met but the market is likely to get another test tomorrow when the degree of resistance will determine the trend for the near future."
"Wheat: Eastern and local long operators liquidated, inflation factors, for the time being, having little weight."

DOLLAR STEADY AS SILVER DROPS.
Pound Shows Further Weakness.
The local dollar remained steady this morning, after closing yesterday at 1/4%.
Silver prices, spot and forward, declined 5/16 on yesterday's quotations, spot being given at 18 11/16 and forward at 18%.
The pound in relation to the dollar, again showed a slight weakening on the day, the London on New York cross rate closing at \$-G\$3.90% as against \$-G\$3.91 1/2, while the New York on London rate closed at \$-G\$3.90 1/2 as against \$-G\$3.91 1/2 yesterday.
"There was considerable cotton selling on a strong opening. The weather is favourable. Sentiment is somewhat reactionary, with a slight rally at the close."
Industrial averages declined .07 to 82.87 while rail and bond averages improved .07 and .11 to 38.62 and 81.65 respectively. Utility averages remained unchanged at 28.07.

LARRY GAINS RETAINS HIS TITLE
Australian Veteran Loses On Points.
London, To-day.
Larry Gains, the Canadian negro heavyweight boxing champion, retained his British Empire title last night when he outpointed George Cook, the Australian veteran, over 15 rounds at Olympia.—Reuter.
Gains, who beat Don McCorkindale for the title after two draws with the South African, was counted out while on one knee in the last round of a non-title fight against McCorkindale at the Albert Hall on April 15.
McCorkindale, as the result of his knock-out win, which transcends all rules concerning points and scheduled rounds, was regarded as the new Empire champion.
It is more than probable that a title fight between the Canadian negro and the South African will be staged in the near future.

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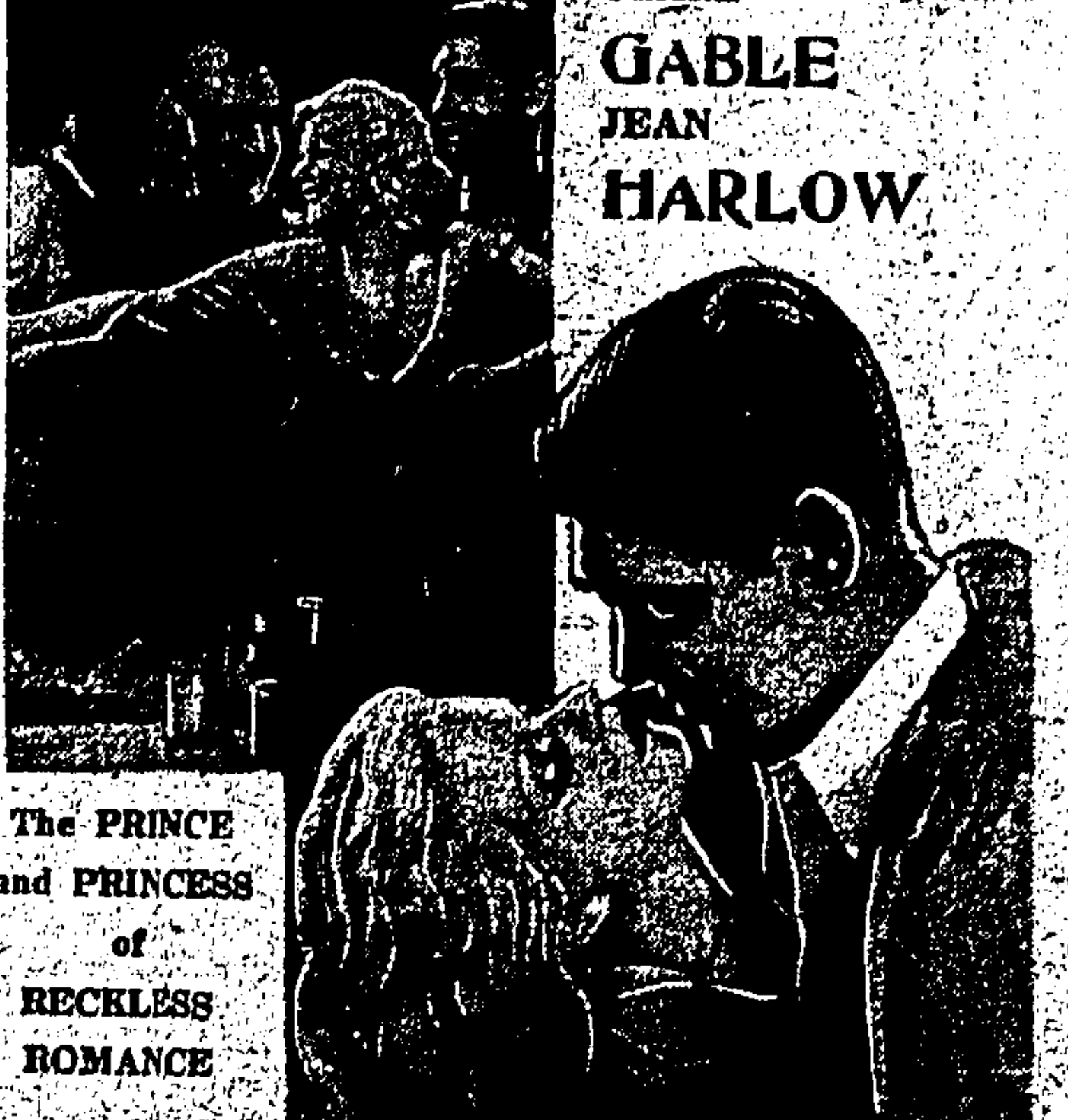
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